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## White Water Rafting



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## City Council weighs manager search options

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

The Grayling City Council hopes to have a new city manager in place in the next two to three months.

The city council, at a special meeting held on Wednesday, June 28, appointed a search committee to seek applicants and recruit a new city manager.

Former Grayling City Manager Allen Lowe unexpectedly resigned from his position at the city council's last regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, June 26.

Lowe was hired as the Grayling City Manager in January, 2000. He replaced Jerry Morford, who served as the city manager for 27 years.

Lowe was given a lump sum payment of \$45,311.74, which includes six months of severance pay plus accrued vacation and sick pay upon his agreement to vacate his position with the city.

City Council member Kim Millikin was elected as chairwoman for the search committee. City Council member Kim McClain was elected as vice-chairwoman of the committee.

The council is considering hiring consultants from the Michigan Municipal League (MML) to help with the city manager search process.

Grayling City Clerk Michele Moshier, who was appointed by the council to serve as the interim city manager, was directed to contact MML officials and to poll communities who have used the consultants to determine their satisfaction with the process. MML charges 10 percent of salary posted for the job, plus advertising and travel expenses.

Council members, last week, said that city officials would likely spend the same amount of money and time on the search process that they would pay for the consultants help.

"We're not paying for a Cadillac, they're just covering the cost to do the service," McClain said.

Officials hope to have a new city manager in place in the next 60 to 90 days.

"We want to get it done and get it done right," City Council member Tom Wellman said.

Only one person attended the special city council last week.

The council voted to accept Lowe's resignation by a 3-to-2 vote.

Asked what has transpired between Lowe and the city council, Millikin simply said that the "city manager resigned."

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## Foes to Mason Tract drilling optimistic

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

Angler and conservation groups have won the first round in a legal battle to prevent the drilling of a gas well near the Mason Tract.

In a ruling issued by U.S. District Court Magistrate Judge Charles E. Binder on June 20, a recommendation was made to deny use of federal reports relied upon to allow Savoy Energy, a Traverse City-based oil and gas firm, to drill a gas well on federal land near the Mason Tract.

The Mason Tract includes 4,500 acres of pristine land located along the South Branch of the AuSable River which was donated to the state in 1954 by auto executive George Mason on the condition that the land be left pristine in its natural form.

The application to drill the gas well on land in the Huron-Manistee National Forest was approved last year because U.S. Bureau of Land Management officials deemed that no significant environmental impact would be caused by the drilling and there is no need for an environmental impact study.

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Photo by Dan Sanderson

The Mason Chapel, a shrine dedicated to George Mason's stewardship, overlooks the river.

## City to try for skate park, road grants

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

Grayling City officials are seeking to get more bang for the buck by using the same funds to apply for two state grants to boost recreational opportunities in the community.

The Grayling City Council, at its regularly scheduled meeting last week, agreed to spend \$30,000 in the city's 2006-07 fiscal budget to build public rest rooms behind the city hall.

During the winter, the rest rooms will serve ice skaters and hockey players who utilize the ice rink located behind city hall.

Other times of the year, the rest rooms would be made available for the skate park that the Grayling Recreation Commission is planning to develop in the same area.

Mary Ann Ferrigan, chairwoman of the city's parks and recreation committee, said the city is applying for a \$30,000 Department of Natural Resources (DNR) grant to

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The Mason Tract includes 4,500 acres of pristine land located along the South Branch of the AuSable River which was donated to the state in 1954 by auto executive George Mason on the condition that the land be left pristine in its natural form.

## Foes to Mason Tract drilling optimistic

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The Grayling based Anglers of the AuSable, Mackinac Chapter of the Sierra Club and Tim Mason, George Mason's grandson, filed a lawsuit against the U.S. Forest Service and U.S. Bureau of Land Management over the decision.

A temporary restraining order and preliminary injunction was approved in December to block federal officials from allowing

Savoy Energy to do site preparation work for the drilling operation.

Binder, in his recommendation, said that federal Counsel on Environmental Quality Regulations established to determine when an environmental impact study is needed were not adequately followed.

Specifically, Binder said that the short and long term effects of decisions regarding federal land use must address the affected region, affected interests and the locality.

Further, Binder ruled Savoy Energy project site is located in protected management areas for the Kirtland's warbler and the Bald eagle, which are on the federally endangered species list. Savoy's plans to clear land for exploration to develop access roads and clear land for future wells, if the drilling is successful, would impact Kirtland's warbler habitat and may enhance the habitat for predators of the warbler. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service should have been contacted to ensure that the decision to permit drilling does not jeopardize the existence of an endangered species to result in destruction of habitat.

Finally, Binder ruled that federal regulations regarding the visual impact that the construction of wells and pipelines would have on the area must be properly weighed in federal decisions. The area where Savoy Energy plans to drill the well and building a gas production facility is classified as old growth forest, which calls for strict guidelines regarding the disturbance of the forest surface.

Tim Mason said the family was pleased with the progress in the federal lawsuit. "From the family's perspective, this is obviously a step in the right direction and we have believed from the very beginning that the drilling should not take place and that parts of the process were flawed," Mason said. Binder's opinion will be forwarded to U.S. District Court David M. Lawson, who has been assigned to hear the case.

Gregory Page, the trial attorney for the U.S. Department of Justice Environmental and Natural Resources Division, has filed a request to allow U.S. Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management staff to respond to the recommendation by July 31.

The Anglers of the AuSable, Sierra Club and Mason will have an opportunity to reply to the federal government's position, before Lawson takes the case under advisement.

Rusty Gates, the owner of the Gates AuSable Lodge and president of the Anglers of the AuSable, said he is cautiously optimistic about their chances to have the drilling plans halted.

"Although we're pleased with the recommendation, this is not over by a long shot," Gates said. Ultimately, Mason hopes that a swap can be made with Savoy Energy for mineral rights in a less environmentally sensitive and scenic area.

"There are other alternatives for the State of Michigan, the federal government and Savoy Energy to look at, and it's going to take some big thinking to make that happen," Mason said.

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## City to try for skate park, road grants

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install the initial ramps and equipment for the first-phase of the project. The funds earmarked to build the public rest rooms would be used as a local match for the DNR grant.

If successful, the parks and recreation committee would then apply for a grant from the Tony Hawk Foundation, which has been established by the famed skateboarder to help build community skate parks, and seek donations for the second and third phases of the project.

"We're pleased to see the project moving forward and any support we can get from the community is appreciated," Ferrigan said.

A skate boarding club, which has been dubbed the Skate Board Crew, was formed earlier this year to help plan and spearhead fund-raising efforts for the park.

The Uptown Live in Downtown Grayling event, which will be held on Friday, July 21, will raise funds toward development of the park.

City officials also plan to use

the funds for construction of the bathrooms to apply for a Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) grant.

Grayling Police Chief Karl Schreiner plans to write a grant seeking to have North Down River Road, leading into city hall, widened.

Expanding the road would allow pedestrians to walk along the roadway to city hall. In addition, the upgraded road would also make it safer for people who currently park their cars at city hall and head out on the county's paved path system on their inline skates or bicycles.

The rest rooms would be made available at an established trail-head area by the city, Schreiner said.

"There is not enough room for a separate bike path along the road, nor is one needed, but this would make it safer for people to get out on the pathways and expand the recreational options for the community," Schreiner said.

The Grayling Township Board will be asked to contribute funds toward the road project since the township's boarder is located north of North Down River Road. The Crawford County Road Commission, which would have to approve the final plans for the initiative, will also be asked for matching funds for the road upgrade.

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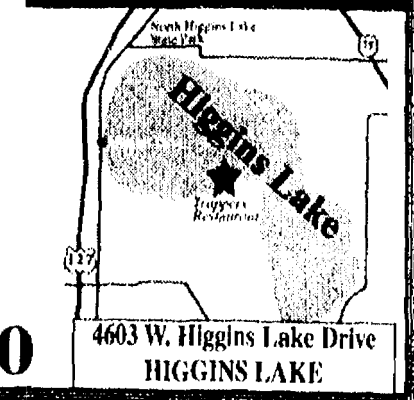
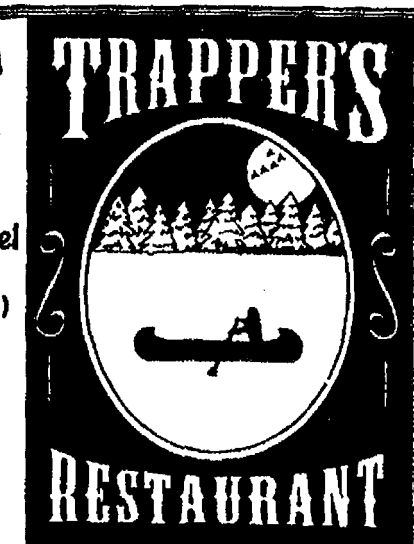
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## Paws, Claws, Scales and Tales



Over 50 Grayling area youngsters toured the Hartwick Pines State Park last week as part of a field trip organized by the staff at the Crawford County Library System. The theme for the library system's summer reading program is "Paws, Claws, Scales and Tales." Above, Jacob Meyer, 9, and Joshua Meyer, 13, take a look at a fox pelt that Hartwick Pines Park Interpreter Dale Losee is holding. Losee took the youth on a tour of the park's scenic trails, stopping along the way to explain the various animals that live in the forest's habitat.

## Parade theme 'Music, Music, Music' will also provide a day of entertainment

The AuSable River Festival Parade theme this year is "Music, Music, Music" and there are enough bands in the parade to make it happen. Not only that, but many of the bands have agreed to perform around town between the parade and the beginning of the race.

"The parade Grand Marshall, Brian Ashton, has done a masterful job of getting bands for the parade and also for the entire day," said Betty Bennett parade committee member. "Along with those bands we have the Celtic pipers, the Tittabawassee Valley Fife & Drum Corps, our own Viking Band, and the 126th Army Band." The parade begins at 3 p.m. sharp.

After the parade, performances will begin on the lawn of Citizens Bank with "Brian Ashton and Mr. Hand"; move to

the parking area behind Chief Shoppenagon's Motor Hotel for "CC & Soul Purpose"; on to Jansen's parking lot for "Avalanche"; to the front of the Crawford County Courthouse for "Wyzbang"; to Dharma Music for "Penny Jean & Gypsy North"; and then on to the ceremony on the banks of the AuSable River at Ray's.

"This year's entertainment will keep people in town after the parade and bring enthusiasm to the overall program. Ashton was able to secure bands for the parade and in turn have a music program as a follow up to the parade," said Bennett.

"What we need now are more local entries in the parade. We need floats and kids with decorated bikes. We need floats or marching units from the many service and civic associations

around town. We need entries from local businesses. We need support from the community to make this a great parade," said Bennett.

Many of the bands from the parade, plus others, will be on the banks of the AuSable as part of the pre-race program. "It's the perfect opportunity to have them as part of the pre-race program" said Sandy Moore, member of the Race Committee.

The actual pre-race program begins at 5:30 p.m. at Ray's Canoe Livery, and will showcase the talents of several area performers, including Diane Chamberlin from Dharma Music; Kane Madsen and Levi Burkett in "Of the Shire"; as well as soloist Penny Jean and Brian Ashton, Rick Febey, & Roger Pertile in a Blue Grass Trio; and nine year old Taylor Wade.

"For a different twist we have the Acting-Up Theatre Company (Chad Patterson, Natascha McCuan and Dean Gibbs), in an audience participation performance," said Bennett. The national anthems of Canada and the United States of America will be sung by Donna and DeeDee DeVought of Mio.

Wayne Hindmarsh and Cheryl Alef will be back as emcees for the program, as well as George Blaha, the voice of the Detroit Pistons and Michigan State Football. Thane Doremire will again provide the sound system and Tom Coors will manage the backstage line-up.

"This year's program will bring a new dimension to the Marathon as part of the re-vitalization of our sacred event, so it's a perfect fit" said Marathon Chairman, Dave Sabin.

## Men's Group has different take on charity fund raising

by Matt Seager  
Staff Writer

Giving to charity isn't always as easy as writing a check. For the many charity organizations and clubs in Crawford County, deciding how to raise money can be a tough decision.

With too many fund raisers, the public often feels bombarded. Not enough, and the organization's goals aren't met.

One Grayling organization, called the Men's Group, has found a way to circumvent this trap.

Once a month, the Men's Group holds a dinner followed by an evening event. These events usually feature guest speakers who are authorities on topics ranging from men's health to forensics science. Members are asked to donate \$7 to help pay for the evening's food and entertainment.

All proceeds are donated to charity. Since the organization was founded in 1999, the Men's Group has donated over \$17,000, with most of that money going to

the Christian Help Center, a food pantry which serves all of Crawford County.

"Everyone is out selling something. Everyone has tickets in their pockets and we decided not to do that," said Men's Group chair Joe Porter.

If Men's Group membership rates are any indication, this is a paradigm that has more than a few people convinced. In 1999, they averaged 28 men per meeting. Today, an average of 77 men are attending on a regular basis.

Part of the appeal is the fact that charity activities are not the only reason for the group's existence. Although younger members are welcome, the wide majority of the organization's members are retired. The group aims to provide fun, fellowship and support for men who are adjusting to a new phase in their lives.

"We have several World War II veterans," said Porter.

One such veteran is Grayling resident Harvey Rowland, who has been a member for several

years.

"It's just a very informative organization," said Rowland. "We have a good meal and go from there."

Regular event highlights include performances from the Michelson Singers. The group also regularly ventures out on tours. Past destinations include Weyerhaeuser Corporation, Dial-A-Ride headquarters and the fire department.

The Men's Group is affiliated with the Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, but men of all faiths are welcome.

It is a non-denominational organization which aims to work for the good of the community at large. This is why the Christian Help Center has been selected as its primary charity.

"The Christian Help Center has a great need," said Porter.

Men's Group members seem to be more than willing to do their part.

"It's just like a charity that we just chip in and give money to. We're all real happy to be help-

ing with the whole thing," said Rowland.

For more information on the Men's Group, contact Joe Porter at 989-348-9012.

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## City Council weighs manager search options

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City council members also declined to elaborate the reasoning for their votes to accept Lowe's resignation.

"The less said, the better off the community will be," Wellman said.

Lowe was previously asked to step down from his position in 2003 by a former city council trustee.

Lowe is a Grayling native, former attorney and school teacher. He was term-limited from the 105th District State House of Representative's seat in 1998 and narrowly lost in the primary election in 2002 for the 36th Senate

seat held by Sen. Tony Stamas, R-Midland.

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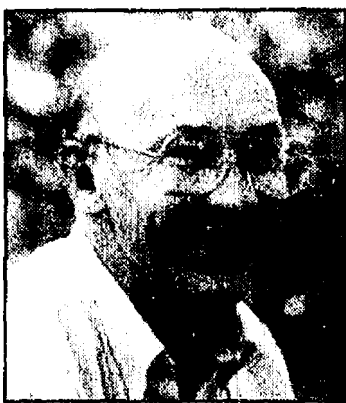
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# OPINIONS



## ALMANACK

by Richard L. Milliman

# What's right in America? Plenty !!!!!

(Note: This column first appeared in *The Almanack* several years ago. Slightly updated to 2006, the thoughts still seem appropriate today. - rlm)

INDEPENDENCE DAY - America's birthday - is an appropriate moment for Americans to take stock of what we are, where we are, and where we might be going, as a nation and as a people.

It's easy to dwell on the negative - what's wrong with my life, what's wrong with America, what's wrong with the world.

But there's plenty on the positive side, too, if only we have sense enough to recognize truth.

We live in a pretty amazing country, with a pretty amazing history.

Our Constitution, including the Bill of Rights, has stood up for more than 200 years with only relatively minor tinkering. Of course, equal rights amendments following the War Between the States and voting rights for women are not minor tinkering by any means, but the fact is that the basic Constitution, with

its Bill of Rights, has stood the test of time unmatched in any other modern nation.

A Civil War such as America endured 140 years ago, in fact, may well have fractured many countries beyond repair, but the United States survived it, which is tribute to the men and women who steered the nation in the 1800s just as the origins of the United States are tribute to the men and women who envisioned and fought for the new nation in the 1700s.

IT WAS NOT easy going when our nation was born.

"Consider that 56 men signed the Declaration of Independence. Five were captured or imprisoned in the war that followed. Nine died of wounds or hardships. Twelve lost their homes. Seventeen lost everything they owned. Every last one of them was hunted. Most were driven into hiding. They were offered immunity, rewards, return of their property or freedom of their loved ones if they would desert their cause.

Not one did. Not one broke that pledge."

These claims were part of a promotion several years ago by the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, which focused on "What's Right With America."

Would the leaders of our nation today, and the rest of us as citizens, for that matter, have the mettle and the resolve to persevere as our founders did? One must wonder.

AMERICA HAS many strengths we tend to ignore or take for granted. Consider these strengths we enjoy which the Chamber campaign emphasized:

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any country in the world.

- A surplus of moral energy and courage. We're a better country for it.
- Willingness to experiment with different forms of social, economic and political organization ... keeping what works and discarding what doesn't.
- Freedom of our communications media to encourage development and expression of informed opinion ... and a growing concern, incomplete though it may be, for personal, governmental and commercial ethics and behavior.
- Health facilities and a medical delivery system of exceptional quality.
- A great wealth of investment capital, much of it waiting to be used in development of jobs and productivity, to develop better standards of life for our citizens and the world.
- Extraordinary technical and scientific talent, constantly working to improve our living standards and expand our knowledge of ourselves, our world and the universe.

THAT'S HOW the U.S. Chamber sized up things 25 or more years ago, and the analysis holds up pretty well today. We may have criticisms and genuine concerns here and there, but by and large - like our U.S. Constitution - on balance the United States of America still comes out all right.

We repeat here the advice offered when we first explored these themes in *The Almanack* in the 1970s:

"When we look into the future, toward the towering problems and challenges that face our nation, our community, our families, ourselves, it's encouraging to take a look at what's right with America, instead of automatically concentrating on what's wrong."

Happy birthday, America!

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

# EDITOR

## Residents should watch the hiring process

To the editor:

Now that the Grayling city council has to hire a new city manager the ad should read something like this:

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For the City Council to hire anyone with fewer qualifications that this should trigger an automatic recall of all city council members.

The residents of the City of Grayling should watch the hiring process with great concern, you should be vocal and aware of what is going on. Don't be afraid to question the city council on all matters regarding this position. It is your right as a citizen. Remember, the new City Manager will affect your community and its future.

John W. Dobry  
Grayling

## Preservation of historic sites is a concern

To the editor,

As curator of the Historical Museum in Grayling, I have come to realize the rich heritage of Crawford County that is housed in the complex buildings. To those born and raised in the county, I would say that you have a wonderful history of which to be proud. To those who have made this county your home, the area is special and unique in many ways. For example, do you know that the AuSable River is the only place in the world where the riverboat is used?

It is so important to keep your heritage alive and intact, especially for the children to experience the history of the area in which they live. Preservation of historic sites throughout the

county is a concern for those who see the need to restoration and repair. Funds are very low to even keep operating expenses current. It would be a great loss to you, the community, to have your heritage lost to future generations.

Therefore, a millage proposal for Historic Preservation will be on the August 8 ballot. It will be for two tenths of a mill for four years which means the average taxpayer will pay approximately \$20 per year. I ask that you consider your highly valued history and the seriousness of the situation and vote yes on August 8.

Priscilla Geyer  
Historical Museum  
Grayling

## VIEWPOINT

By Matt Gillard - State Representative (D-Alpena)

## Quiet, please! The time is now for Michigan to set nation's toughest statewide drilling noise standard

Everybody who cares about Michigan's outdoor treasures should have applauded the ruling by U.S. Magistrate Judge Charles Binder to halt plans to drill for oil and gas inside an environmentally sensitive area of the Huron Manistee Forest along the AuSable River near Grayling.

But cheering the judge's wisdom will not ensure such Michigan gems as the AuSable River are preserved for future generations.

It's time for the Michigan Legislature to approve an oil and gas reform package that would create the nation's toughest statewide drilling noise limit.

I am preparing to re-introduce four bills in the State House of Representatives that would decrease the volume of industrial noise that is permissible at all new oil and gas facilities in Michigan and seek to

prevent exploratory drilling on state-owned land at three of the northern Lower Peninsula's most prized waterways and forests as well as the Mason Tract in Crawford County.

The proposed legislation is in response to a plan by a Traverse City firm to drill for natural gas near the state-owned Mason Tract along the South Branch of the AuSable River, regarded as one of the nation's premier trout streams.

George W. Mason, a deceased auto executive, donated 1,500 acres of AuSable riverfront to the state in 1955, under the condition that the land would be "reserved" in its natural state but kept open for recreation.

Mason understood Michigan's environment and its economy go hand-in-hand. This plan strikes a balance between protecting public recreation and private property rights.

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**Full page, half page, or color display ads** must be turned in by Thursday at 5 p.m.

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# BRIEFS

## COA hosts speaker

The Grayling Senior Center at 308 Lawndale St., will have speaker Terry Lockwood, from Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home, presenting on getting your final affairs in order on Thursday, July 13, after the 5 p.m. dinner. For information or transportation call Elouise Mize at 348-7123.

## Summer Music Series to be held

The Grayling Summer Music Series will continue with Big Rand & Company, from Traverse City, on July 6, at 7 p.m., on the Citizens Bank Lawn, downtown Grayling. Big Rand & Company will play classic rock from the 60's, 70's, and 80's. The concert is free. Bring your blanket or lawn chair. For more information call the Chamber at 989-348-2921.

## River preservation assn. to hold meeting

The Upper AuSable River Preservation Association will hold its annual meeting and picnic on July 8, at 9:30 a.m., at the City Park Pavilion. Cost for continental breakfast and picnic is \$5. Guests may bring a dish/dessert to share. A speaker will discuss pertinent issues for river property owners. The meeting is open to the public.

## Crawford County Democrats to meet

The Crawford County Democrats will gather for their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, July 13, at 7 p.m., at the Crawford County Court House. Public welcome. For more information call 348-7037.

## 4-H to offer child care course

The Crawford County MSU Extension is offering 4-H child care classes on July 14, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., in the basement of the courthouse for boys and girls in 6th, 7th, and 8th grades. The cost is \$5 and registration deadline is July 12. For more information call 344-3266.

## Stamas to conduct office hours

Sen. Tony Stamas will conduct office hours in Grayling for residents to express their opinions or request assistance with a state issue on Thursday, July 13, 8:30 to 9:45 a.m., at the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way.

## Church to host vacation bible school

Seventh-day Adventist at Camp AuSable, M-72 east, Grayling, will hold a vacation bible school from July 10 to 14, from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The theme will be "The Beatitudes - County Fair - Where Blessings Abound," for children ages 5-12. The event is free.

## Sculptor and his bronze wildlife to visit Northern Michigan

Michigan artist creates life-size bronze masterpieces

Michigan artist Roger Smith will visit northern Michigan to display his bronze wildlife sculptures at three local art shows. "I'm very honored to be invited. These shows are some of the highest quality art shows in Michigan," says Smith. Smith will display his bronze sculptures on July 15 for Petoskey's 21 Annual Art in the Park, July 29 and 30 at Art on the Rocks 2006 in Marquette, and August 4 and 5 at the Bay Harbor Summer Art Fair.

Smith will have one of his latest sculptures, "Up and Running", a just under 6' tall life-size, remarkably life-like bronze sculpture of a white tail deer in action, on display at Gallery on Main in the Village at Bay Harbor starting July 4. "This piece captures a large buck leaping from its bed. There is a lot of motion with good composition," comments Smith.

"We are very excited to be able to showcase Roger Smith's magnificent work in our gallery," said Larissa Flynn, gallery director of Gallery on Main. "We plan to introduce artists from all over Michigan into this area and Roger's exquisite art fits well with our 'Up North' lifestyle that people hold so dear."

Smith is one of only a few artists in the Michigan specializing in life-size bronze wildlife

## RAFFLE WINNERS

Grayling Youth Booster Club  
The 50/50 raffle winners for July 2, of \$25 each: Linda Golnick, Edna Kitchen, Kevin Gossett and John MacLeod.

Project Graduation  
The "Lucky 300 Club" Raffle winner of \$100 for June 23 is Betty Aubry and the winner for June 30 is Bob Harris.

## Take your daughter to the golf course this week

Local golf course Fox Run Country Club in Grayling is participating in the National Golf Course Owners Association promotion "Take your Daughter to the Course Week" July 10-16, 2006. This is a great opportunity to take your daughter, granddaughter or niece to the course and introduce her to your favorite pastime.

According to national spokesperson Suzy Whaley, "Young women who learn to play the game build self-esteem and confidence through their participation. It is a game that spans generations and professions that can be enjoyed for a lifetime."

Golf courses across the country are offering special programs designed to get young women involved in golf.

Fox Run will offer free greens fees to young ladies 16 and younger accompanied by a paying adult all week long. They will also offer free golf tips and instruction on their driving range by PGA Pro Bob Koutnik, owner of Fox Run on July 10, 11, 12 from noon until 2:00 p.m. and additionally offer free Ping Ladies Demo clubs on Thursday, July 13 from 4-8 p.m. and on Friday from 3-7 p.m. This program will be offered to all female golfers.

Last year over 1,000 courses and 16,000 girls participated in this event. It is anticipated that nearly 1,200 courses will participate in 2006. Share your favorite sport with your favorite girl. Take her golfing during this special promotion week. It could change her life.

## CRAF Center features country singer Al Lopez

County singer Al Lopez will be performing at the Gazebo on the CRAF Center lawn in Roscommon July 12, at 7 p.m. This new award winning music star has achieved high ratings on the country music charts with his recording "Smooth Runnin' Engine."

Lopez has been the opening act for some of the best country singers in America. That includes Clay Walker, John Michael Montgomery, Clint Black, Willie Nelson, Freddy Fender and Loretta Lynn just to

name a few. He has been the headliner at the Gaslight Showtown Theater in Branson, Mo. and will be playing other theaters in Branson this summer. He has also been the headliner at the Sandusky Summerfest and the Wayne County Fair.

Lopez has just finished his first movie titled "18 Month Window." It will be playing on the USA network, Lifetime and TNT as well as Music Festivals around the country. He has started his own record label called "Renegade Records Inc."

The concert is free to the public and is supported by the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs, Gannon Broadcasting Systems, Lear Corporation and the Roscommon Metropolitan Recreation Authority.

## Child seat safety inspection at Gaylord

Otsego Memorial Hospital, in cooperation with the Gaylord City Police, will be hosting car seat safety inspections on Thursday, July 20, from 2 p.m. - 5 p.m., at the pavilion in downtown Gaylord. Certified Car Seat Technicians will be available to inspect car seats and teach parents how to properly install them into vehicles.

Should your child be in a booster seat? Current crash data reveals that children between the ages of 4 and 7 years are 59 percent less likely to be injured or killed in a vehicle crash when properly seated in a booster seat as compared to those children traveling in a lap/shoulder belt only. Therefore, the SAFE KIDS Worldwide Campaign recommends that children ride in an approved and properly installed safety seat, such as a booster seat, until they are at least 4'9" tall and weigh 60-80 lbs. This typically includes most children under the age of 8.

Also, children under the age of 13 should not ride in the front seat. Children are 37% safer in the back seat than if they ride in the front. Also, most air bag related child fatalities involve an out of position child riding in the front seat.

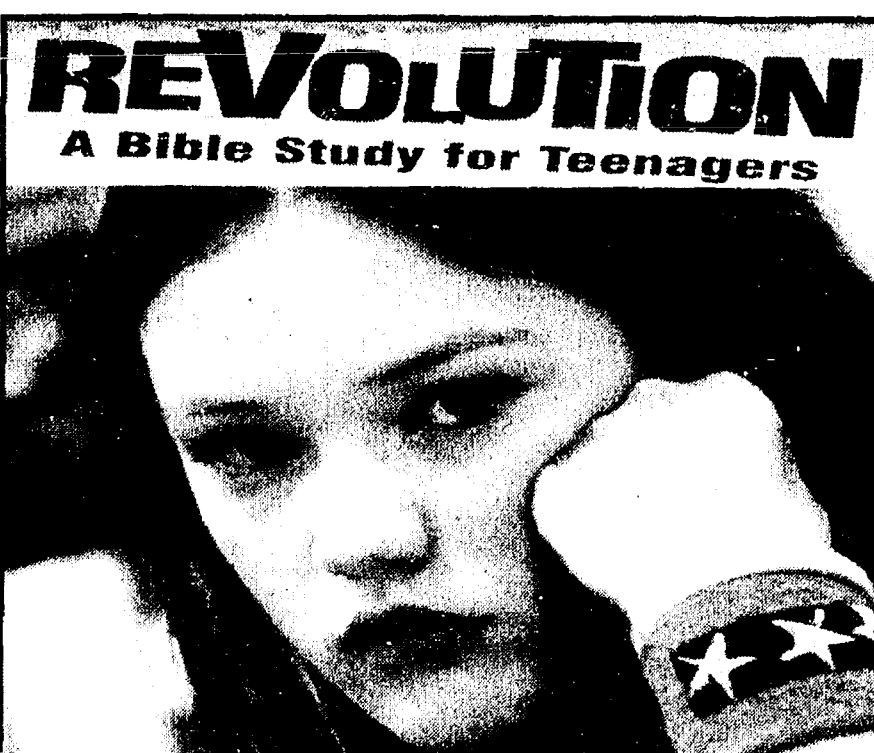
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# Bee keeping causing a buzz in Crawford County

by Matt Seager  
Staff Writer

In Crawford County, certain hobbies come standard. Canoeing. Fishing. Cross country skiing. And of course...bee keeping?

Although it may come as a surprise to some, there are actually several bee keepers in Grayling and the surrounding area. In some cases, it is a family tradition that has spanned many generations.

## Honey Talks Honey

Take Honey, for example. No, not the honey that the bees make. Rather, the Honey that makes bees make honey. Henry Honey, of Lovells, comes from a long line of bee keepers. In fact, that's where he gets his name.

"It's a Polish ancestry," said Honey. "The Polish name was 'Honey' and they changed it to 'Honey' because they were bee keepers in my ancestry."

Honey, who retired from bee keeping about three years ago, first became interested in the occupation as a teenager.

"I kind of had a fondness for (bees) and I decided I'd like to try something out," said Honey.

Before too long, Honey was an authority on the topic, maintaining ten hives of his own and helping researchers at Michigan State University artificially inseminate queen bees.

## Bee Business

Interest from a major university is not surprising, since, these days, bee business is big business. Under the right conditions, a single hive can generate 200 pounds of honey in one season.

"That's a lot of honey," said local businessman and bee keeper Scott McClain, whose father introduced him to the hobby at age 14.

The price of honey is as high as ever at local supermarkets, so the opportunity to profit from the occupation is there. Of course, in a job that involves handling hundreds of swarming bees at once, there are certain obvious occupational risks.

"The most I've ever been stung was about 20 times," said Honey. If being stung 20 times in rapid succession seems like a lot, at least Honey has found a way to look at the bright side.

"Hey, that kept my rheumatism down."

Although a bee keeper can be stung if something agitates the bees, the truth is that honey bees are not very prone to attack. They only tend to be violent if they feel that the hive is threatened.

This is one of many tidbits of bee knowledge that a bee keeper naturally acquires. Keeping up on the latest buzz in the bee world can be the key to success.

"Read all you can. Get the magazine *American Bee Journal*. Keep on the cutting edge," advised McClain.

## A Species Threatened

Unfortunately, the latest headlines in the bee world are none too positive. A tracheal mite, *Acaris woodi*, has been devastating the bee population in North America. The mite gets into the hives and kills all the bees.

All sources interviewed cited this mite as the greatest threat to a bee keeper in the new millennium.

"That's what a lot of the bee keepers are fighting right now. It's costing them money and they're dropping out of it," said Honey.

Haven't seen too many honey bees in the last few years? That's because this mite has almost completely eliminated the native honey bee population in North America.

If a bee keeper can beat the mites, they are other challenges to running hives in Northern Michigan as well.

"Everywhere I've ever had bees the bears got 'em. So that's a problem," said McClain.

McClain says the best defense against bears is an electric fence around the hive.

## Love the Bugs

Bears and mites aren't the only



Priebe examines his hive. The coffee can on top contains food for the animals. "They're absolutely lovely," said Priebe of his bees.

environmental threats to a bee keeping operation, either. With so much risk involved, it's not surprising that none of the bee keepers interviewed said they do it for the money. A interest in the animals themselves is their primary motivation.

"Once you get into it, it's fascinating," said McClain. "The bees are really tough."

In a family tradition similar to Honey's, McClain's father taught him everything he knows about the art.

"Whenever I had a problem he could solve it for me. He was a great bee keeper," said McClain.

## The Next Generation

Nonetheless, not all bee keepers in the area inherit their hobby from family. Ray Priebe, Jr., of Grayling just started his own hive this Spring.

Trying to learn the hobby without a family background presents additional challenges.

"Most people that do this inherit it," said Priebe. "It's very difficult to do on your own."

Priebe has received bee keeping advice from Henry Honey, and now has a healthy hive well on its way to producing generous amounts of honey.

## Bee Healthy

Interestingly, food isn't the only thing bees produce. Raw honey includes a substance called propolis, which bee keepers can refine and collect separately.

This substance functions as an antibiotic that is particularly effective in killing bad antibodies in the human body while leaving good antibodies unharmed.

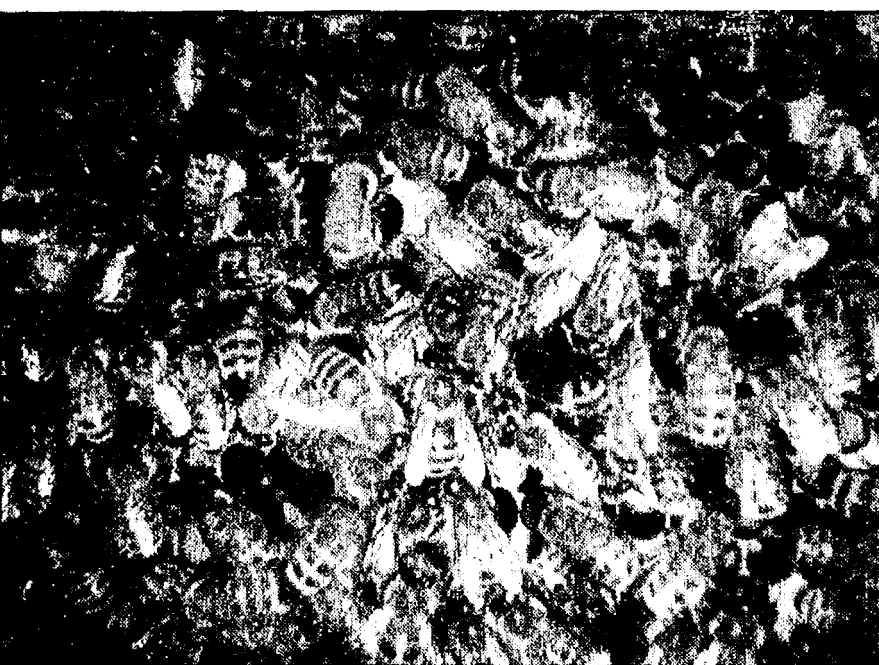


Photo courtesy of Ray Priebe, Jr.

A level on a bee hive can get very crowded as the population increases. When it gets too full, a bee keeper will add additional levels.



Photo courtesy of Ray Priebe, Jr.

Karyn Ruley smokes out the bees in Ray Priebe's hive in order to pacify the bees while the hive is handled. Bees only tend to attack when the hive itself is threatened.

"It's very expensive to buy," said Priebe.

That's not even the full extent of possible medical uses for raw bee honey. Since bee honey is produced from local pollens, it can have vaccination properties. Priebe hopes the honey will help his son with his asthma.

Speaking of pollen, bee keepers also tend to have extra healthy gardens, as pollination is a bee's business. In fact, bees are often brought into Traverse City to help pollinate the cherry trees.

"That old thing about being busy as a bee, that's an understatement," said Priebe.

For the bee keepers of Crawford County, it's worth a little bit of busy work to have a flourishing hive of bees doing plenty of work of their own.

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**Trip # 2**  
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"Out to Lunch Gang"  
Frankenmuth  
Departing the Center at 9:30 a.m.

**Trip # 3**  
Thursday, July 26, 2006  
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The local court's web site was expanded to allow access to an electronic newsletter function. Citizens can subscribe and receive a bi-weekly email on specific topics of court services.

This free service will provide educational materials that cover topics and procedures the public frequently has questions about.

The newsletter will provide general information about the Circuit/Family, District and Probate Divisions of the 46th Circuit Trial Court. Topics will include small claims, landlord tenant matters, probate issues, adoption issues, Friend of the Court information, mediation procedures, traffic ticket procedures, criminal matters and paternity, among other topics. The e-mails will provide the public with the location of the court in their county handling that type of matter and contact numbers for the court.

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### Sentencings for June 2006

#### Hon. John G. Hunter

Sean Allen Walsh Jr., age 18 of Grayling - Sentenced on June 6, 2006 for person under 21 purchase/consume/possess liquor; ordered to pay \$340 or serve 22 days in jail; placed on probation for 274 days.

Casey Jo Helsel, age 24 of Grayling - Sentenced on assault/assault and battery; ordered to pay \$905 in fines or serve 90 days in jail; placed on probation for 183 days.

George Cory Klee, age 21 of Grayling - Sentenced on June 13, 2006 for license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate; ordered to pay \$555 in fines or serve 55 days in jail.

Philip Floyd Faustman, age 65 of Grayling - Sentenced on June 20, 2006 for operating while intoxicated; ordered to pay \$595 in fines or serve 59 days in jail; placed on probation for 92 days.

Dawn Marie Howell, age 24 of Grayling - Sentenced on June 20, 2006 for retail fraud third degree; ordered to pay \$465 in fines or serve 46 days in jail; placed on probation for 92 days.

Michael John Demoines Jr., age 24 of Frederic - Sentenced on June 20, 2006 for operating while intoxicated; sentenced to serve five days in jail; ordered to pay \$1,005 in fines or serve 93 days in jail; placed on probation for 183 days.

John Robert Nicholls Jr., age 25 of Grayling - Sentenced on June 20, 2006 for operating while intoxicated, reckless driving and malicious destruction-trees, shrubs, grass under

\$200; sentenced to serve 74 days in jail with credit for 74 days served; ordered to pay \$1,705 in fines or serve 21 days in jail; placed on probation for 92 days.

Jeffrey Allan Kobel, age 37 of Roscommon - Sentenced on June 20, 2006 for disturbance of the peace; ordered to pay \$200 in fines or serve 20 days in jail.

Nicole Suzanne Harmer, age 31 of Grayling - Sentenced on June 20, 2006 for license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate; ordered to pay \$840 in fines or serve 84 days in jail; placed on probation for 183 days.

Dennis Mitchell Darling, age 56 of Grayling - Sentenced on June 22, 2006 for sex offenders-failure to comply with reporting; ordered to pay \$455 in fines or serve 45 days in jail.

Danny Leroy Brenner Jr., age 30 of Saginaw - Sentenced on June 20, 2006 for Grayling City Ordinance #4; ordered to pay \$200 in fines or serve 20 days in jail.

Gregory Paul Schmidt, age 36 of Grayling - Sentenced on June 20, 2006 for operate while visibly impaired; ordered to pay \$365 in fines or serve 36 days in jail.

Timothy John Jones, age 27 of Grayling - Sentenced on June 20, 2006 for false alarm fire; ordered to pay \$705 in fines or serve 70 days in jail.

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Evan Christopher Gainey, age 19 of Monroe - Sentenced on June 14, 2006 for person under 21 transport/possess in vehicle; ordered to pay \$160 in fines or serve 16 days in jail.

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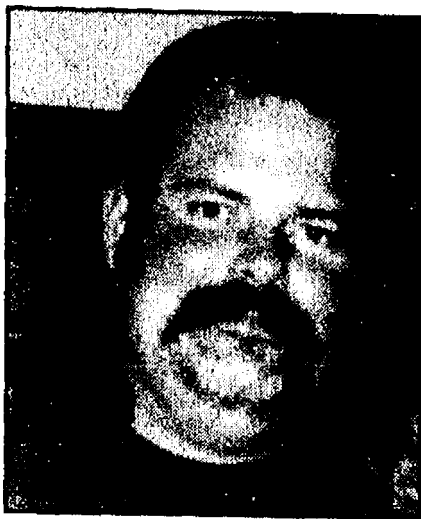
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# OBITUARIES



## Eric D. Larson

Sept. 21, 1960 - July 1, 2006

Eric Duane Larson, 45, of Grayling, passed away on July 1, 2006.

Eric was born on September 21, 1960, in St. Joseph, to Jack and Merdene (Brush) Larson.

He was a retired corrections officer for the State of Michigan. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, boating, riding motorcycles, playing the guitar, dog training, and stock car racing.

He is survived by his wife, Lisa Larson; children: Joshua and Matthew, Stephen and Jeffrey Cawood; seven grandchildren; parents, Jack and Merdene; brothers, Michael and Todd Larson; sister Susan Sugden; several nephews and one niece; aunts and uncles.

The visitation will be on Wednesday, July 5, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., at Estes-Leadley Holt/Delhi Funeral Home. The funeral will take place on Thursday, July 6, at 12 p.m., at the Estes-Leadley Holt/Delhi Chapel, 2121 N. Cedar St. in Holt, with the Rev. Stephen Ezop, Heartland Hospice Chaplain officiating.

Arrangements made by Estes-Leadley Funeral Home, Lansing.

## Lewis H. Sorenson

Jan. 26, 1931 - June 20, 2006

Lewis H. Sorenson, 75, of Grayling, passed away on June 20, 2006.

He was born in Grayling, on January 26, 1931 to Harry W.M. and Elois E. (Campbell) Sorenson. He married Joyce Fink, in Mt. Clemens, on October 18, 1952.

He served in the U.S. Air Force as an Airman Second Class in the Korean War and received a National Defense Service Medal. He retired from Consumers Power Company and moved to Grayling, from Warren, in 1987.

He was a member of St. John Lutheran Church, the National Rifle Association, and the Grayling Masonic Lodge #156, where he was a 32nd Degree Mason. He enjoyed fishing and hunting.

He is survived by his wife, Joyce of 53 years; daughters, Kathleen A. Simpson of Centerline, and Nina (John) Thurwachter of Orion; son, Lewis F. Sorenson of Guthrie, Okla.; sisters: Helen (Lloyd) Crawford, Nancy (Dave) Niederer, Sandra (Joe) Lowe; and brother, Jim Sorenson.

He was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers.

The funeral was held on Saturday, June 24, 2006 at Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

Memorials may be sent to St. John Lutheran Church, Grayling.

Condolences may be sent to [www.sorensonlockwood.com](http://www.sorensonlockwood.com). Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home in Grayling.

## Ernest B. Barber

Mar. 26, 1939 - June 24, 2006

Ernest "Ernie" B. Barber, 67, of Frederic, passed away on June 24, 2006.

He was born in Grayling on March 26, 1939 to the late Elroy and Calla Brott. He married Sandy Schotte on February 15, 1992 at Shoppenagon's Restaurant, Grayling.

Ernie began working with the fire department when he was 18 years old. He was the original founding member of the Frederic Volunteer Fire Department and he retired after 38 years of service to the department. He served in the U.S. Army from 1958 - 1961. He retired from the Teamsters Union #406 and was a member of First Baptist Church of Frederic. He enjoyed wood-working and camping.

He is survived by his wife Sandy, of 14 years; daughters: Annette Bissell of Grayling, Dawn Funnell of Mt. Pleasant, and Beth (Joe) Fitzpatrick of Traverse City; sons: Andrew (Michelle) Barber of Grayling, Mark Every of Bahamas, and Jeff (Sheila) Every of Waters; sisters: Mary (Bob) McClain of Hessel, Donna (Auggie) Otter of Wis., Nila Gabriel of Frederic, Toot (Harold) Kusiel of Lansing, Rita (Vic) Papendick of Chicago, Ill., and Arla Stephan of Fla.; brother, Robert (Charlie) Barber of Tenn.; 16 grandchildren, and one great-grandson.

A funeral service was held on June 28, 2006 at First Baptist Church in Frederic with Pastor Dale Hammond officiating. Interment will be at Oakwood Cemetery in Frederic with military honors accorded by the American Legion Post #106 and the U.S. Army.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Frederic Fire Department or Hospice of Michigan. Condolences may be sent to [www.sorensonlockwood.com](http://www.sorensonlockwood.com). Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

## Katherine L. Nave

Dec. 8, 1926 - June 30, 2006

Katherine L. Nave, 79, of Grayling, passed away at Mercy Manor on June 30, 2006.

Katherine was born in Belding, on December 8, 1926 to Hugh and Bertha (Fries) Nave. She grew up and attended school in Kalkaska. She dedicated her life to nursing, serving as a surgical nurse at Grayling's Mercy Hospital for 41 years before retiring.

She served her community and enjoyed flower beds, watching birds and squirrels play and taking trips with close friends and family.

She is survived by many friends, nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and all her brothers and sisters.

A funeral service was held at Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home, on Monday, July 3, 2006 with Chaplain Jim Siler officiating.

Interment was at Elmwood Cemetery, Grayling.

Condolences may be sent to [www.sorensonlockwood.com](http://www.sorensonlockwood.com). Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

## Leslie R. Hunter

Aug. 23, 1920 - June 16, 2006

Leslie Richard Hunter, 85, a life long resident of Grayling, passed away on June 16, 2006 at the Homesteader Senior Apartments in Benzonia.

Leslie was born on August 23, 1920, in Maple Forest, to William and Marian (Hennessey) Hunter. He married Eldena Dell Dreyer from Flint.

He moved to Grayling in 1928, and graduated from Grayling High School in 1938. He served in the U.S. Air Corps during World War II, completing his basic training in Tulsa, Okla., it was there that he met Eldena. After a brief stay in Tulsa, the young newlyweds were transferred to St. Petersburg, Fla., where Les built airplane engines. During this time his brother, Amos, then manager of Hunter's Dairy Bar died in Grayling. Les was released from his duties with the Air Corps and returned to Grayling to assume responsibility of the business which he purchased in September 1943. In addition to owning Hunter's Dairy from 1943- 1971, Les and Dena operated food concessions for the Grayling Winter Sports Park, Skyline Ski Club and provided vending food services for the Bear Archery Company.

He was active in community and school events, was a member of the Kiwanis Club, a founding member of the Grayling Winter Sports Park, and served on numerous committees for area special events. He was a long time member of Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church and most recently a member of the Free Methodist Church.

He is survived by his daughters: Gail (Tom) Hunter Bolin of Atlanta, Ga., Mary Hunter of New Haven, Conn., and Paula Hunter of Traverse City; granddaughter, Ruby Mei of New Haven, Conn.

He was preceded in death by his wife Dena, in October 1988 and daughter, Pamela in 1955.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, July 7 at 11 a.m., at Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home. Interment will be at Elmwood Cemetery, with a luncheon to follow at the Grayling Free Methodist Church, M-72 east.

Condolences may be sent to [www.sorensonlockwood.com](http://www.sorensonlockwood.com). Arrangements by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

## Jack W. Sieloff

Dec. 21, 1941 - June 29, 2006

Jack Wayne Sieloff, 64, of Grayling, passed away on June 29, 2006.

He was born in Wyandotte, on December 21, 1941 to Jack and Agnes (Stasko) Sieloff.

Jack served in the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam era. He moved to the Grayling area 22 years ago, from Wyandotte. He was a member of the Grayling Eagles and he enjoyed motorcycling.

He is survived by his wife, Shirley; daughters, Jackie (Tom) Predhome of Wyandotte, and Shelby Tipton of Grayling; son, Jason Sieloff of Wyandotte; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother.

A memorial service was held on July 3, 2006 with Pastor Lyle Studer officiating.

Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home in Grayling.

## Chuck Henderson

Aug. 27, 1941 - July 2, 2006

Chuck Henderson, 64, of Grayling, passed away on July 2, 2006.

Chuck was born on August 27, 1941, in Barnardsville, N.C. to the late Jesse James and Thelma Jane (Whitemore) Henderson. He married Linda Gail Howard on March 31, 1962 in Pontiac.

He was previously employed at Ford Motors. He enjoyed working with old cars and restoring them. He was a member of Resurrection Life Fellowship in Grayling.

He is survived by his wife of 44 years; son, Kevin (Jennifer) Henderson of Grayling; granddaughters, Jessica and Sarah; sisters, Shirley (Basil) Baysinger of Dexter and Lillian Hamner of Novi; and brother, Larry (Fern) Henderson of Union Lake.

Visitation was held at the Resurrection Life Fellowship on Wednesday, July 5, from 4 p.m. - 7 p.m., with the funeral service following at 7 p.m., with Pastor Bud Mann officiating. Interment was at Elmwood Cemetery, Grayling.

Condolences may be sent to [www.sorensonlockwood.com](http://www.sorensonlockwood.com).

Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

## Richard G. Norman

April 7, 1959 - June 30, 2006

Richard G. "Rick" Norman, 47, of Northville and Phoenix, Ariz., passed away on June 30, 2006 in Ariz.

Rick was born on April 7, 1959, in Traverse City, to Eldon and Jacquelyn Norman. He grew up in Grayling and was a 1977 graduate of Grayling High School and attended Kirtland Community College.

He was employed at Nissan North American Research and Development in Farmington Hills for 15 years.

He is survived by his wife, Patty Rankin-Norman of Northville; son, Jason Norman of Roscommon; father, Eldon Norman of Grayling; brothers: Scott (Shelley) Norman of Leonard, Terry (Ticia) Norman of Grayling, and Jerry (Kara) Norman of Geneva, Ill.; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his mother and infant brother, Randy.

A memorial service will be held on Thursday, July 6, at 1 p.m., at Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

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# Subway gets a new look

by Matt Seager  
Staff Writer

A change of scenery can be a good thing. That was the mindset Subway Corporation had when they decided that all franchise locations needed to update their look this year.

Subway of Grayling was no exception. Guests will notice that since early June, the local Subway has an entirely new interior, complete with new artwork on the walls and new benches. In total, the renovation cost around \$75,000.

"We've got a lot of good comments on it," said Eugene McDaniel, the local franchise owner.

McDaniel noted that this is the biggest change the restaurant has seen since he opened the franchise branch in 1991. Impressively, the renovation only took about a week.

"They worked day and night on it," said McDaniel.

Aside from the new look, the people and policies of the Grayling Subway will remain the same. McDaniel is particularly proud of his staff, some of whom have been around since the restaurant first opened.

"I think I've got the best help in town," said McDaniel.

Since this Subway was established, McDaniel has endeavored to give back to the community that supports it.

"We do quite a bit for the school," said McDaniel.

Subway regularly donates



Local Subway franchise owner Eugene McDaniel stands in the remodeled store. The renovation cost \$75,000.

sandwiches for school sports programs.

That's not the only way McDaniel tries to support the school system. He primarily hires high school age students to operate the restaurant. Yet quitting school to work at Subway is not an option.

"If their school work goes down, they don't work until their school work goes back up," said McDaniel.

He cooperates with parents to ensure that this policy is effective.

So, as this policy remains the same, the look of Subway has

been updated to change with the times. McDaniel expressed his gratitude to the people of Grayling for supporting his business for so many years.

"People have been good to us in town," said McDaniel. "The local people want to keep this going and I appreciate this."

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# Local scout master receives award

by Matt Seager  
Staff Writer

An award can say a lot about a person. It is not just a mark of achievement- it can also be a measure of character.

And as Loren "Lornie" Goodale would tell you, the Boy Scouts of America is all about character. It is appropriate, then, that Goodale was the recipient of one of the highest regional hon-

ors that can be awarded to an adult volunteer, the Silver Beaver Award.

"It totally caught me off guard," said Goodale.

Each year, eight adult scouting volunteers in the 19 county region are selected to receive the award. The local region includes about 4,000 adult volunteers, so earning the award is no small feat. Goodale received the award

at the Council Recognition Dinner on June 15.

"It's the highest award that a council can give a volunteer," said Goodale.

To be eligible for the honor, an individual must be nominated via a letter of recommendation by a fellow adult volunteer. The scout council then judges the nominees based on criteria such as scout history and overall community

involvement.

Although Goodale said the recognition was "an honor," he emphasized that, for him, being a scout master is about more important things.

"I don't do it for the awards. I do it for the kids," said Goodale.

Goodale joined the Boy Scouts of America in 1969 and has been active in the organization ever since, becoming a scout master in August 1985. He has had his own scout troop in Grayling ever since.

"I enjoy it...I enjoy working outdoors, I enjoy teaching the kids," said Goodale.

Goodale also believes that the Boy Scout program is good for the community at large.

"You're teaching the kids skills they can use for the rest of their life," said Goodale. "It helps train our kids to be leaders."



Photo courtesy of Loren Goodale

Loren Goodale (center) receives the Silver Beaver Award. "It is an honor," said Goodale.

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## Interstate 75 road rehab set to begin

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The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) will mill and resurface about six miles of I-75 in both directions from the Crawford/Roscommon County line to the I-75/U.S. 127 junction. The project will begin on Monday, July 10.

The work includes crushing and shaping some segments of the road, milling and resurfacing, ramp extensions and guardrail improvements. One lane of traffic will be maintained in each direction on both northbound and southbound lanes.

Access to area businesses and residences will be available at all times. Motorists are encouraged to exercise extreme caution when traveling through the work zones.

The \$5.1 million project continues as a commitment by MDOT and Gov. Jennifer Granholm's administration to create jobs, improve the quality of life and provide the highest quality, integrated transportation services for Michigan residents and businesses. The work, which will be completed by Oct. 10, is expected to extend the life of the pavement by approximately 15 years.

## Law allows fire equipment donation

Governor Jennifer Granholm on Friday signed legislation, sponsored by Sen. Tony Stamas, R-Midland, allowing fire departments to donate surplus equipment to fire departments in need without fearing liability.

"This is tremendous," Stamas said. "This new law will encourage more fire departments across the state to donate equipment to less fortunate departments."

Stamas' legislation will release the donating party from liability for damages for personal injury, death or property damage, while providing standards prohibiting gross negligence or intentional misconduct by the donors.

Beaver Creek Fire Chief Ed

Holtcamp, the past president and legislative liaison for the Northern Michigan Fire Chiefs Association and the Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs, previously testified before the Senate Committee on Local, Urban and State Affairs in support of Senate Bill 689.

"Public safety is a top priority, and this new law will allow fire departments across the state to help each other out," Stamas said. "I'm proud to have sponsored such an important piece of legislation and I'm even more thrilled that it was signed into law."

Stamas' bill is now Public Act 244 of 2006.

## GRAYLING POLICE REPORT

Grayling City Police Chief Karl Schreiner reports his department handled the following during the week of June 25 - July 1:

Eight traffic warnings, two private property accidents, three traffic accidents, four civil infraction citations, three misdemeanor arrests, one felony arrest, one criminal sexual conduct complaint, six larceny com-

plaints, one juvenile complaint, eight disturbing the peace complaints, five assist other departments;

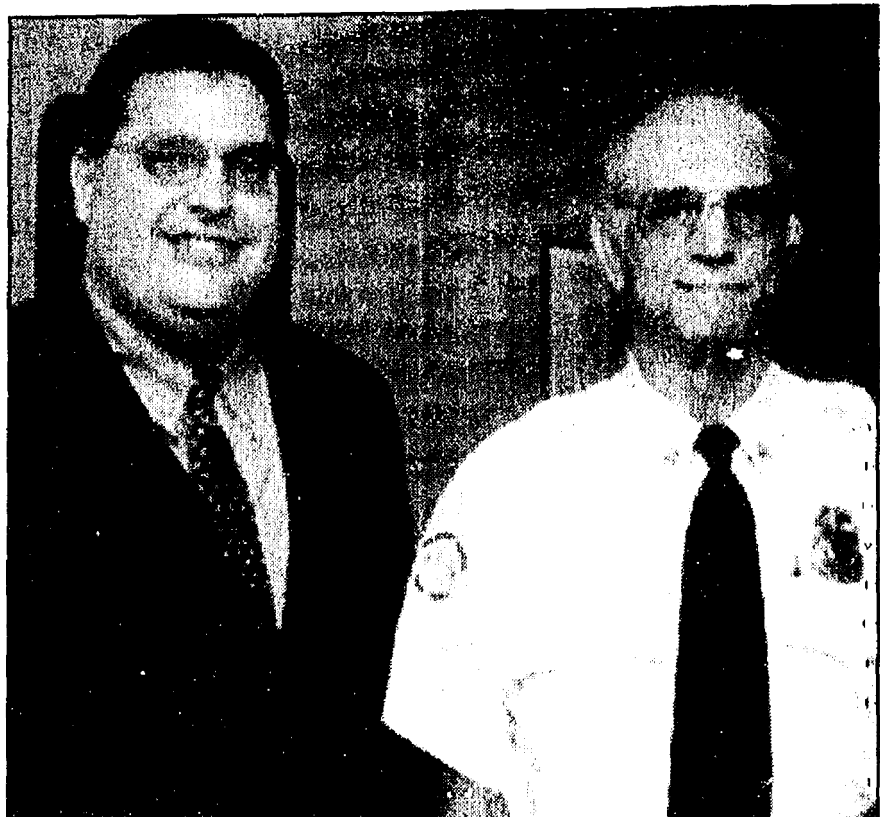
One civil complaint, five alarm complaints, one malicious destruction of property complaint, two suspicious situation, 12 city ordinance violations, one animal control complaint, one be on the look-out and nine unclassified complaints.

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Beaver Creek Fire Chief Ed Holtcamp, the past president and legislative liaison for the Northern Michigan Fire Chiefs Association and the Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs, previously testified before the Senate Committee on Local, Urban and State Affairs in support of Senate Bill 689. Holtcamp is pictured above with Sen. Tony Stamas, R-Midland.

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Several Crawford County youth participated in the 4-H Exploration Days at Michigan State University last week. Participants were: (front row, L to R) James Schweizer, Makkenna Harwood, Rachel Wilson, Jessica Pickell, Mary Bolick, Tiffany Valentin, Kelsey Neuberger, and Taylor Doremire. (Back row, L to R) Ester Smith, Nancy Persing, Darcy Greer, Chloe Harwood, and Kaitlin Adamski.

## Youth participate in 4-H Exploration Days

More than 2,500 people, including participants and chaperones, flocked to the Michigan State University campus last week for 4-H Exploration Days. The youth development conference spanned three days, and offered young people ages 11-19 over 180 activity sessions to choose from, including yoga, hip hop dancing, cooking, a large variety of sports, and hands-on animal sessions.

With help from 4-H scholarships, Crawford County sent 13 youth, some C.O.O.R. Intermediate School District MEAP scholarship winners. They were accompanied by two chaperones, including Ester

Smith, AmeriCorps Member and facilitator of the 4-H "Life's Better With A Mentor" program.

"At the end of each day, it was such a joy to hear what the kids were learning and experiencing," Smith said. "It made me wish I'd known more about 4-H, and had been involved when I was younger."

With an array of art class choices like stained glass and t-shirt design, Jessica Pickell, 14, took clothing design. "Drawing clothes is a lot harder than you'd think," she said. "They have to have so much detail."

Challenge classes like kayaking and canoeing generally are

the first to fill with students. Tiffany Valentin, 14, participated in climbing and repelling and, the last day of camp, repelled off a 5-story parking garage. "I knew I was safe, because they had a hold of me," she said, "But it's really hard to get yourself to walk backward off of a building."

Nancy Persing, 4-H Youth Development Program Associate, went as a chaperone. "By helping kids have a positive experience on a college campus, it really makes them believe they could become a successful college student," Persing said.

Kids lived in dormitories, ate in cafeterias, rode busses to various destinations on campus, and

mingled with youth from 82 counties in Michigan.

"When they first get to Exploration Days, some of them are overwhelmed," said Persing. "But by the second day they are very confident."

Exploration Days takes place in June each year, and participants in Crawford County do not have to have previously been enrolled in a 4-H program. For more information about any 4-H programs, including Exploration Days 2007, contact Nancy Persing at the Michigan State University Extension: (989) 344-3264.

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## Local youth leader attends national conference

Patty Salyers, of Grayling, recently attended the Modern Woodmen of America Merit Club Leadership Conference in Orlando, Fla. Salyers was one of 450 youth service club leaders from across the United States who earned the opportunity to take part in the conference. While in Orlando, she attended educational and motivational workshop sessions and gained new ideas for leading volunteer activities for kids.

Salyers, a club leader for 22 years, attended this conference because her club completed a variety of projects and met monthly. The projects were completed in 2005 and focused on volunteerism, patriotism, education and fun.

"Volunteer service is a main focus of our clubs and our whole organization," says Modern Woodmen's Assistant Fraternal

Director Keri Rursch. "People like Patty are living, breathing examples of the volunteer spirit in action. We invited them to this conference to honor and recognize their accomplishments."

This conference was held in conjunction with Modern Woodmen's 40th Quadrennial National Convention. Approximately 2,200 delegates, youth service club leaders, field representatives and guests were in attendance at the Orlando World Center Marriott.

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## 46TH CIRCUIT TRIAL COURT

### Sentencings for June 2006

#### Hon. Dennis F. Murphy

Kenneth Michael Kalicke, age 48 of Warren - Plead guilty on April 17, 2006 to police-fleeing fourth degree and operating-operating under the influence of liquor/per se; sentenced on June 9, 2006 to serve 30 days in jail with credit for two days served; ordered to pay \$105 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$300 circuit court costs and \$750 penal fine; placed on probation for 12 months.

Steven Douglas Steffes, age 20 of Grayling - Found guilty on May 11, 2006 for a probation violation; sentenced on June 8, 2006 to serve 150 days in jail with credit for 60 days served; ordered to pay \$897.60 restitution, \$45 state minimum costs, \$50 crime victim rights fee, \$300 circuit court costs and \$350 attorney fee; reinstated on probation.

Daniel F. Mathey Jr., age 18 of Grayling - Found guilty on Oct. 28, 2005 for a probation violation; sentenced on June 8, 2006 to serve 90 days in jail with credit for 12 days served.

Joseph Marthew Haskin, age 52 of Grayling - Convicted by a

jury on May 9, 2006 for controlled substance delivery less than 50 grams and habitual offender second conviction; sentenced on June 8, 2006 to serve one year and one month to 30 years in prison with credit for one day served; ordered to pay \$240 restitution \$60 state minimum costs and \$60 crime victim rights fee.

Joseph Marthew Haskin, age 52 of Grayling - Convicted by a jury on May 10, 2006 for two counts of controlled substance delivery less than 50 grams and habitual offender second conviction; sentenced on June 8, 2006 to serve one year and one month to 30 years in prison with credit for one day served; ordered to pay \$270 restitution, \$60 state minimum costs and \$60 crime victim rights fee.

Peter Augustus Haverstock, age 25 of Grayling - Plead guilty on May 8, 2006 to robbery unarmed and habitual offender fourth conviction; sentenced on June 8, 2006 to serve four years and nine months to 30 years in prison with credit for 168 days served; ordered to pay \$114.25 restitution, \$60 state minimum costs and \$60 crime victim rights

fee.

Stephen Frederick Kennedy, age 38 of Grayling - Found guilty on June 20, 2006 for a probation violation; sentenced on June 20, 2006 to serve 60 days in jail with credit for five days served; discharged from probation.

#### Hon. Janet M. Allen

William Joseph Evon, age 42 of Grayling - Plead no contest on April 17, 2006 to police officer disarm firearm; sentenced on June 19, 2006 to serve 365 days in jail with credit for 50 days served; ordered to pay \$60 state minimum costs and \$60 crime victim rights fee; placed on probation for 36 months.

William Joseph Evon, age 42 of Grayling - Plead no contest on April 17, 2006 to assault harm less than murder; sentenced on June 19, 2006 to serve 300 days in jail with credit for 47 days served; ordered to pay \$60 state minimum costs and \$60 crime victim rights fee; placed on probation for 36 months.

Joshua David Bonamie, age 23 of Grayling - Found guilty on May 1, 2006 for a probation violation; sentenced on June 19, 2006 to serve 90 days in jail with credit for three days served.

Michael Joseph Nagy, age 52 of Frederic - Found guilty on May 3, 2006 for a probation violation; reinstated on probation with a six-month extension.

Clinton Michael Ramsey, age 20 of Grayling - Plead guilty on May 1, 2006 to larceny building; sentenced on June 19, 2006 to serve 330 days in jail with credit for 197 days served; ordered to pay \$60 state minimum costs and \$60 crime victim rights fee.

## HONORS

### Kirtland Community College

Dr. Charles Rorie, president of Kirtland Community College, announced the names of students who graduated after the winter semester at Kirtland, as well as the nursing students who graduated in June. From Frederic: Chad Schultz, associate in computers, computer science, summa cum laude, and an associate in computers, information systems, summa cum laude.

Steve Dmytrusz, associate in applied science, nursing, cum laude; Rhonda Fettes, certificate, office assistant, cum laude; Bethany Gilkerson, associate in applied science, medical secretary, summa cum laude; Jacquelyn Kuszak, certificate, massage therapy, cum laude; Sasha Latuszek, certificate, general business, certificate, word processing specialist, associate in applied science, administrative assistant, and associate in applied science, word processing specialist; Veronica Louchart, certificate, graphic design; Willie Martin, associate in applied science, engineering design technologies, summa cum laude; Michael Moon, associate in science, life science; Michelle Murray, certificate, office assistant; Lorrie Pelka, certificate, medical billing and coding; John Petkus, associate in arts, cum laude; and Jeff St. Denis, associate in applied science, nursing; all from Grayling.

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## DARE golf outing raises money for Sheriff's Department youth programs

Last Thursday's annual DARE golf outing – an event that helps the Crawford County Sheriff's Department raise money for DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) and other youth-oriented programs – featured more than 30 four-person teams and strong support from the community, Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield said.

"A nice day, finally," Wakefield said. "Normally, it's raining, sleeting, or something

(for the event)."

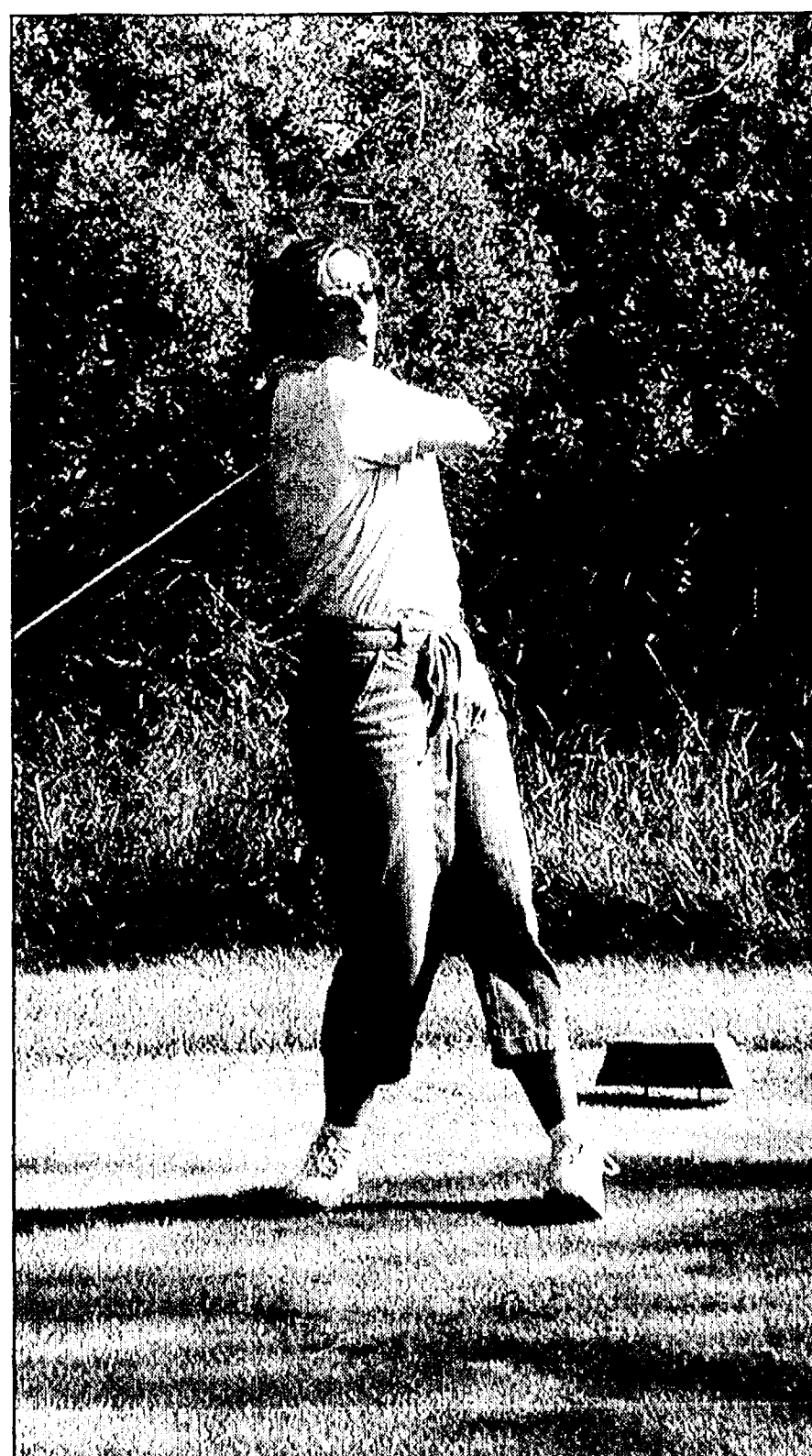
"We got some really good prizes for the raffle and lots of hole sponsorship donations. I think we have twice as many hole sponsors this year, which says the community is really coming together for us," Wakefield said. "All the money goes into a separate fund for kids programs that the Sheriff's Department puts on."

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See "DARE GOLF..."



Joni Metiva (above) and Renea Martin (below) tee off on the 18th hole at Grayling Country Club during the DARE golf outing on Thursday.



(Left to right) Joel Avalas, Gary Hodgson, Shawn Krayes, and Chopper Steffes formed one of several four-somes that competed in last Thursday's DARE golf outing, a fundraiser for the Crawford County Sheriff's Department that helps pay for DARE and other youth programs. Krayes is the Crawford County Undersheriff and Avalas and Steffes are Crawford County corrections officers.



DARE golf outing participants head to their starting holes for the beginning of the event on Thursday morning, June 29.



(Left to right) Tom Hunt, Tom Baker, Ron Herron, and Dave Jansen participated in last week's DARE golf scramble at Grayling Country Club.



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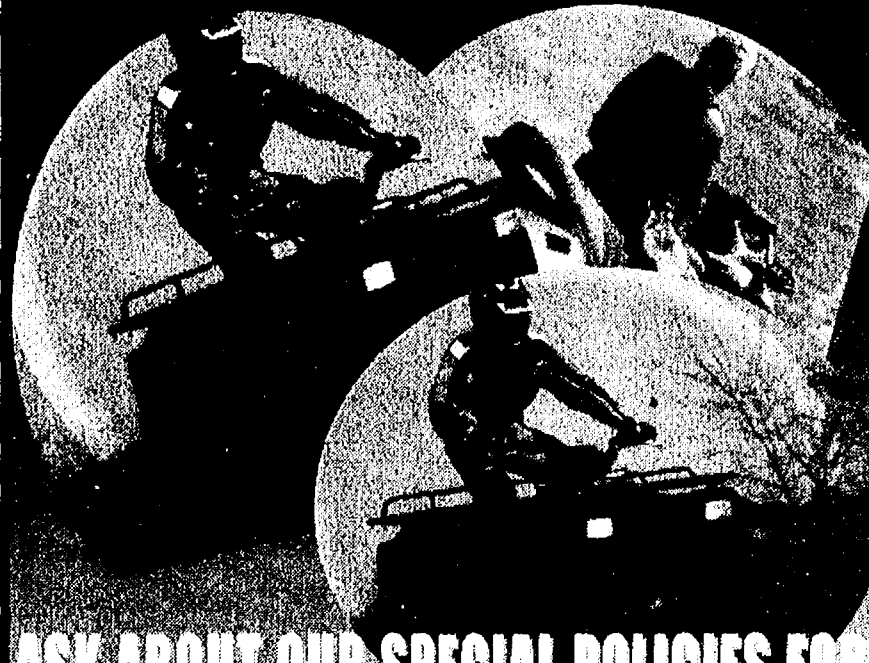
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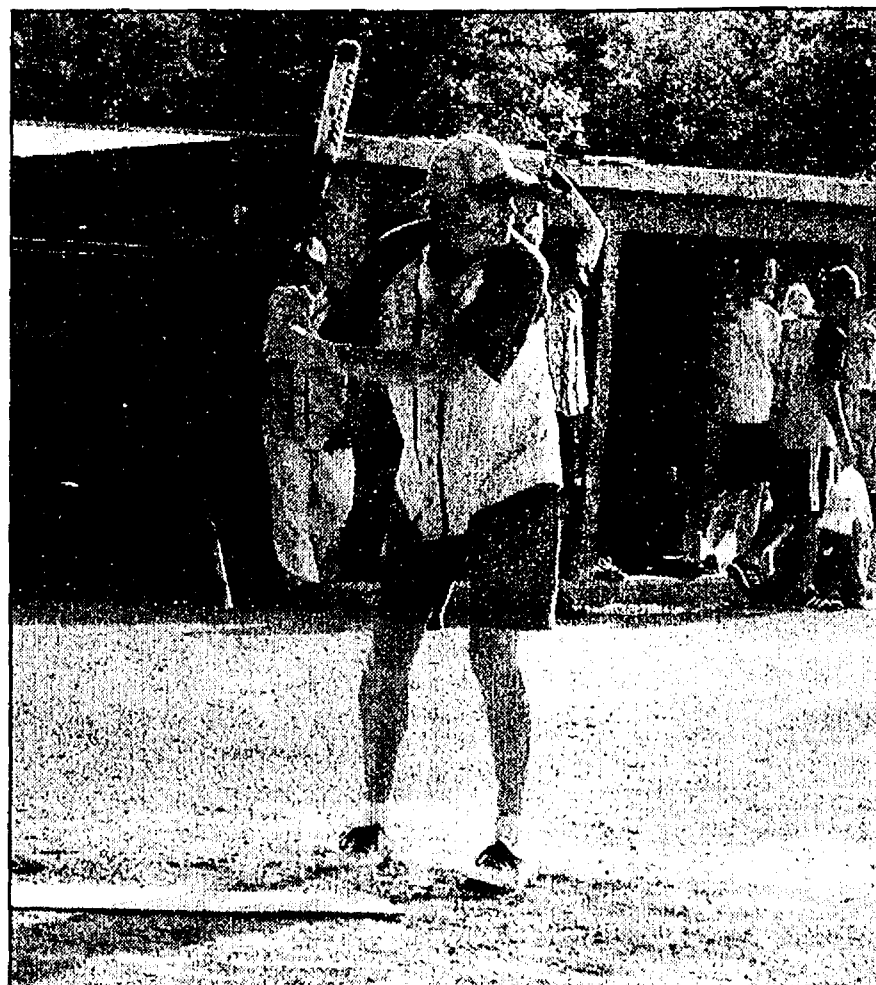
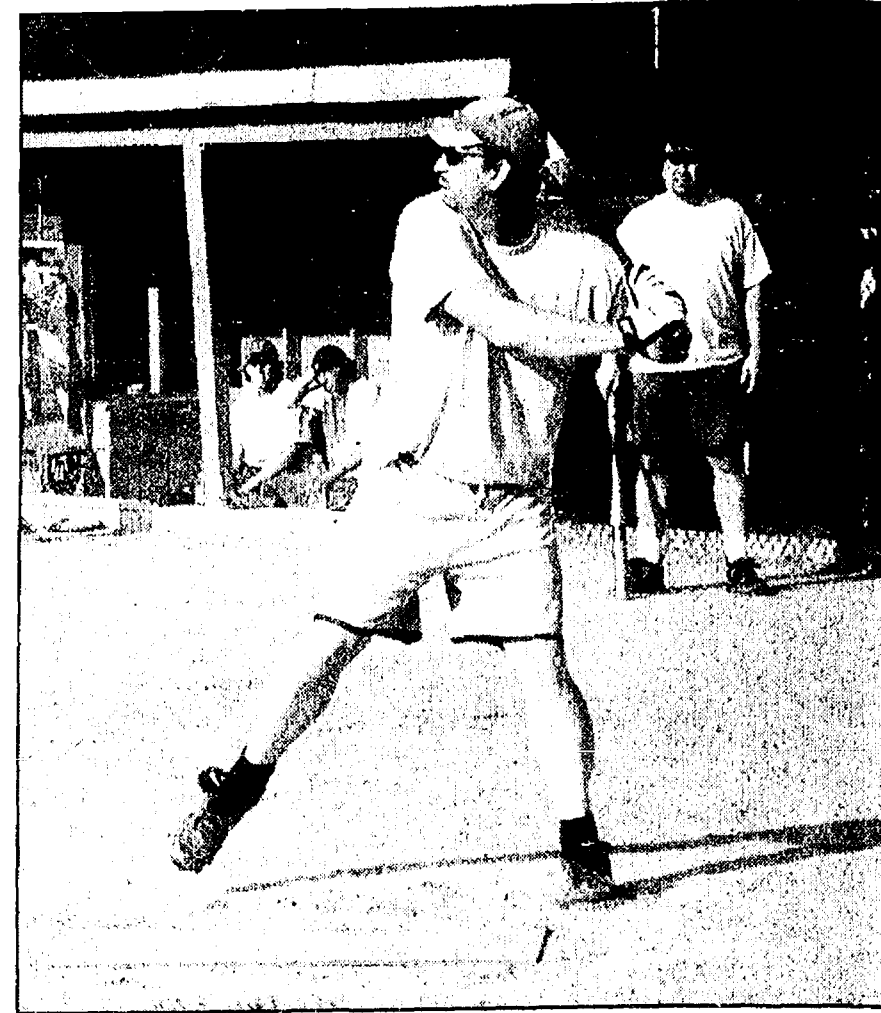
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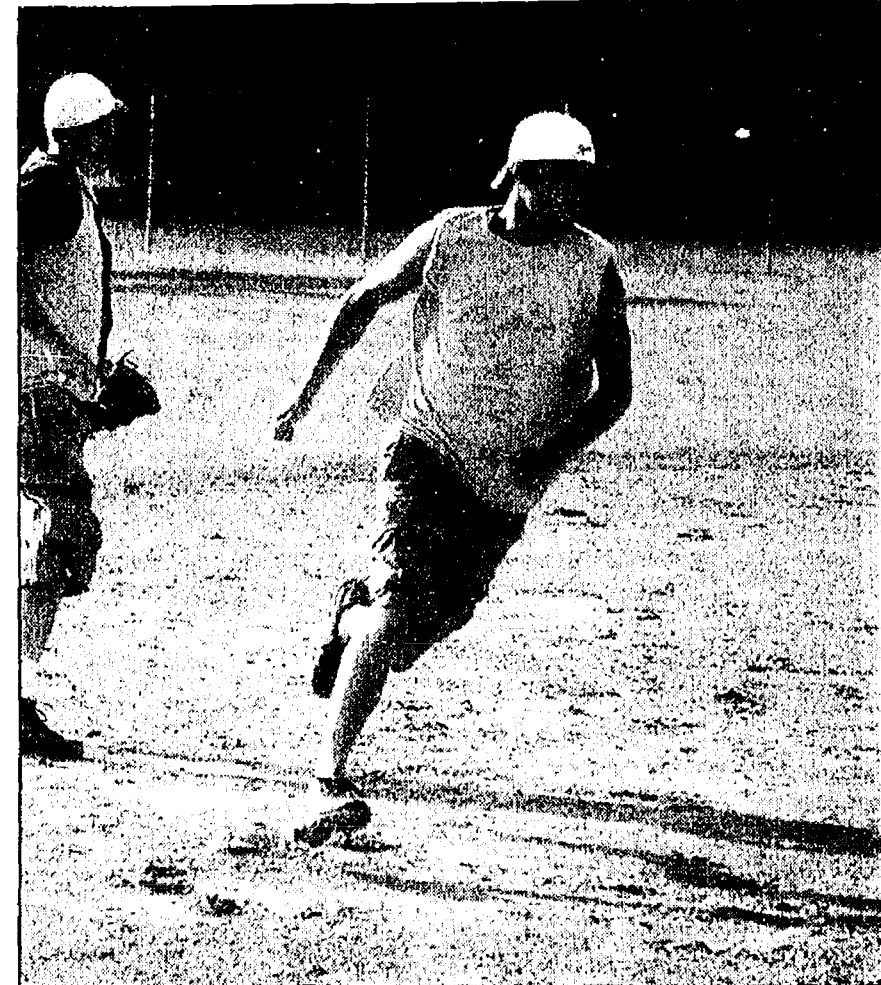
**GRA MEN'S SOFTBALL**



(Left) Chad Ellis scores a run for the American Legion team during a GRA men's softball league doubleheader vs. Tin Fish last Thursday at Hanson Hills. (Right) Russ Dehart bats for Tin Fish.



(Left) Jan Thayer bats for American Legion against Tin Fish on Thursday. (Right) Ryan Davis rounds third base for Tin Fish.



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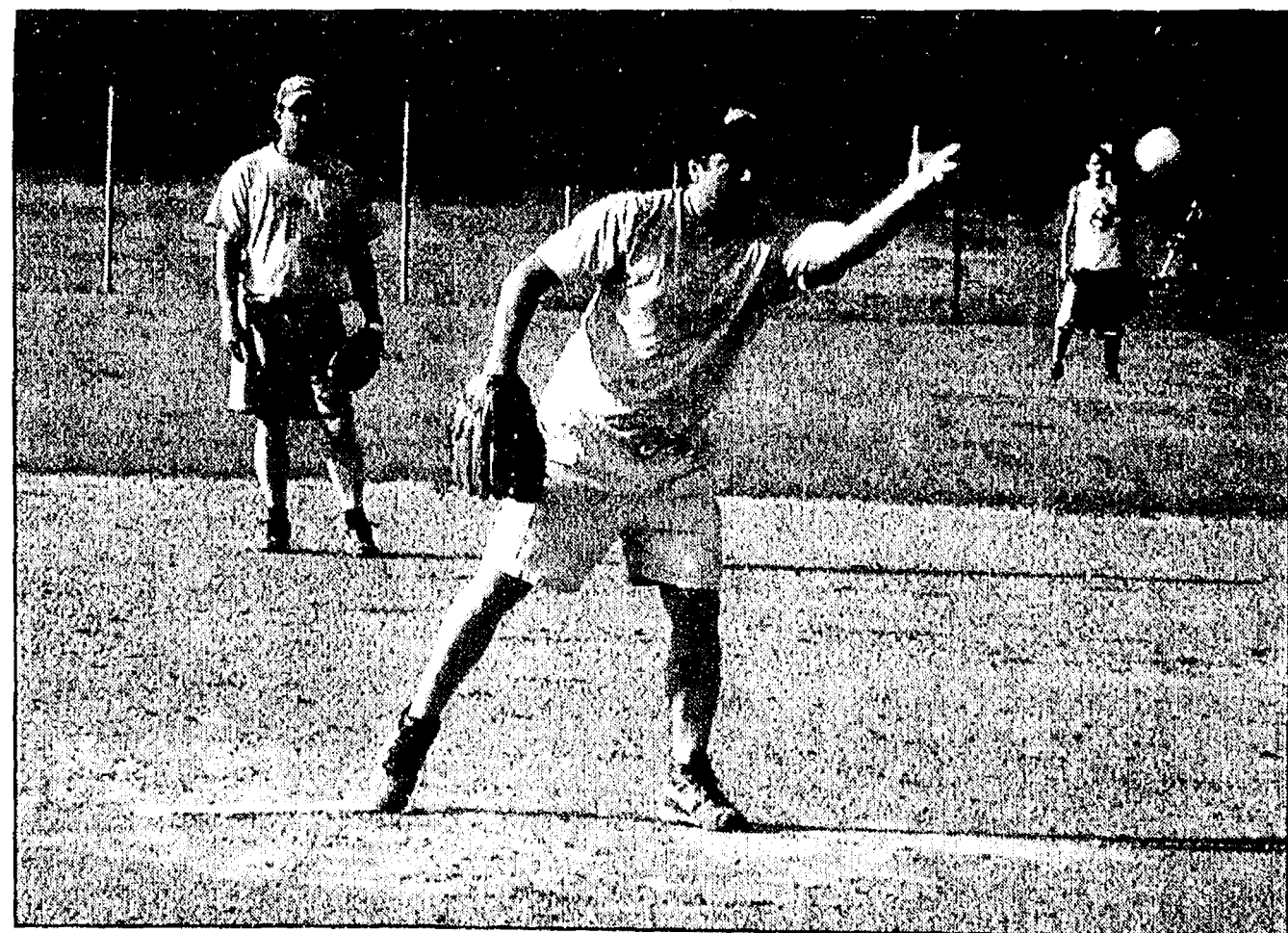
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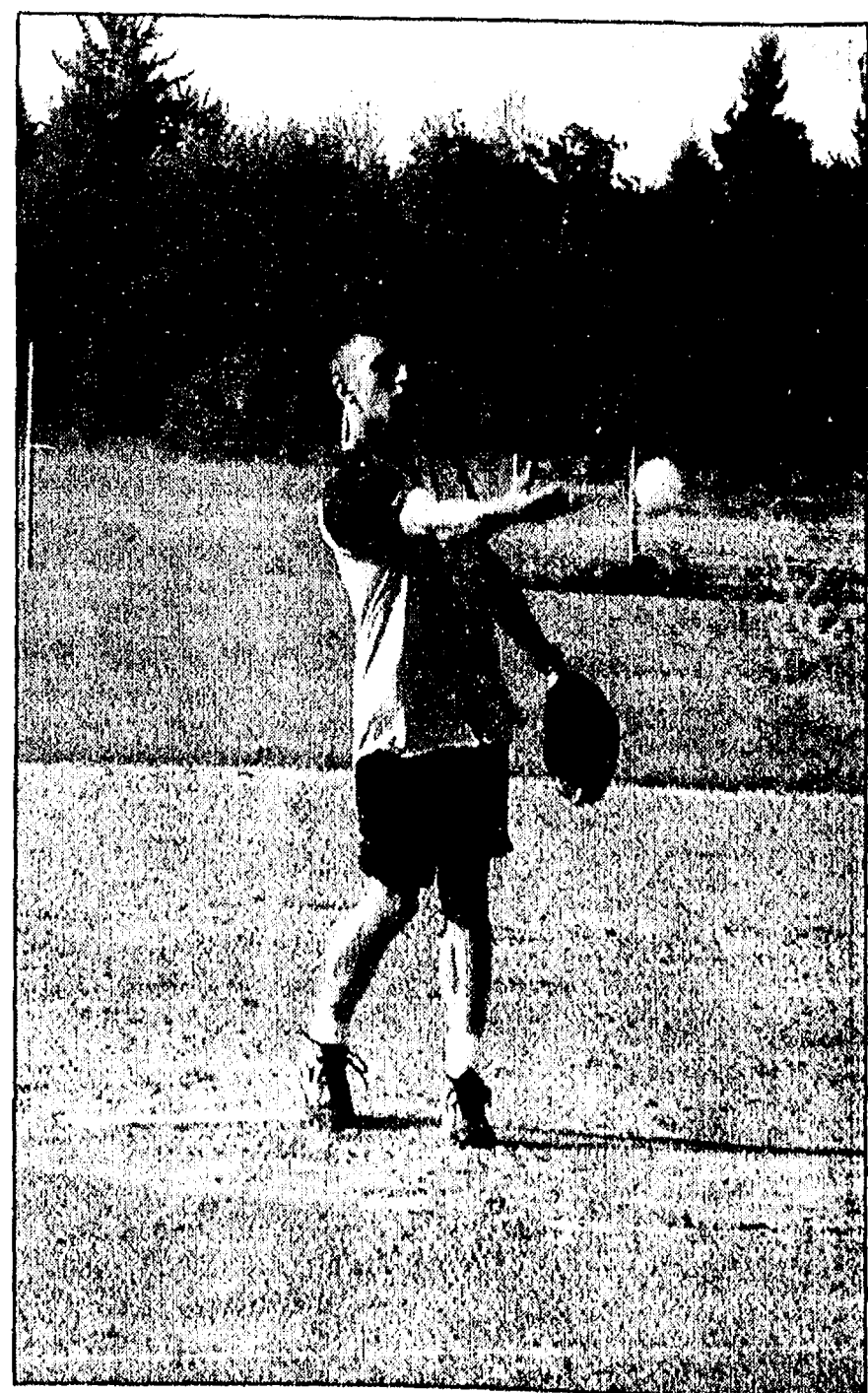
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Darrell Metzger pitches for Tin Fish on Thursday night.

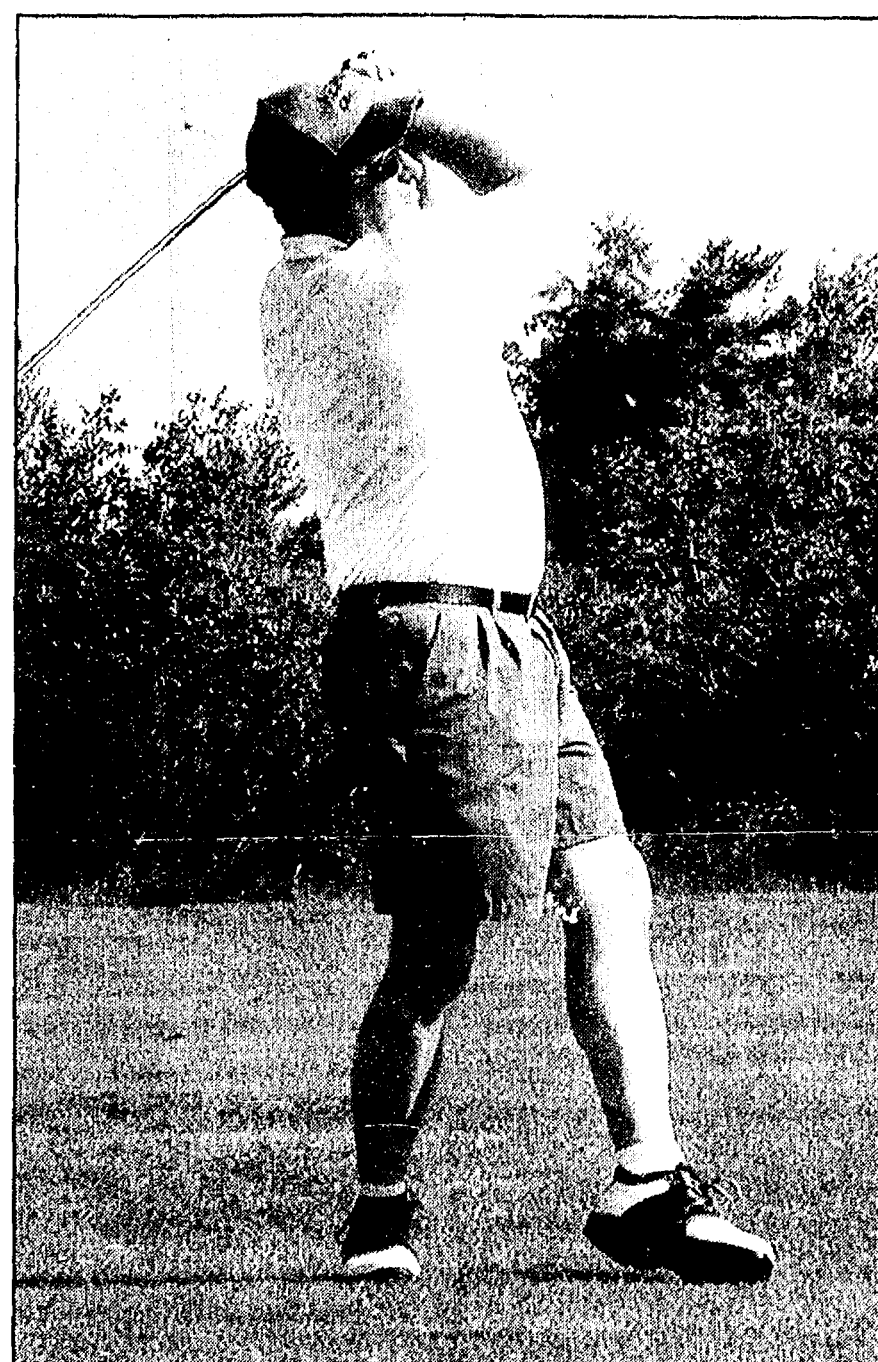
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Jason Thayer pitches for American Legion.





(Left) Chopper Steffes, a Crawford County corrections officer, sinks a short putt at last Thursday's DARE golf outing, an annual event that helps the Sheriff's Department raise money for the Drug Abuse Resistance Education program and other youth services. (Right) Joel Avalas, also a Crawford County corrections officer, hits an iron shot on hole #18.

## DARE golf outing raises money for youth programs

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The 2006 DARE golf outing also included more teams than usual this year with 30-plus. "We're usually around 24, 25," Wakefield said.

Undersheriff Shawn Krayes, who golfed in the event on a team that also included two Crawford County corrections officers, said the event was "hugely supported by the people in the community."

Krayes said that many law enforcement officers from other departments around northern Michigan also participated in the event to show their support.

"Typically we raise enough money for books, pencils, and gifts for the DARE program and support some of the other youth service programs we have, and it allows us to sponsor little league and youth hockey teams," Krayes said.

The DARE golf scramble was held at Grayling Country Club this year.



The DARE golf outing's Scott McNamara Ford team consisted of (left to right) Wayne Metzger, Jim Morrison, Ray Fuhr, and Terry Norman.



Gary Hodgson sets up for an iron shot at last Thursday's DARE golf outing at Grayling Country Club.



Undersheriff Shawn Krayes putts on hole #18.

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Grayling Recreation Authority (GRA) is looking for local businesses, agencies and organizations to respond to the call of the river.

"We have three different divisions: men, women, and co-ed," said Green. "The requirements are four semi-willing participants (two must be from the business or organization) and ten minutes of time to challenge the AuSable on Thursday, July 27, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m."

"This year, join the river races by paddling and earning bragging rights after defeating the local competition," said Green.

David Sabin, chairperson of the Weyerhaeuser AuSable River International Canoe Marathon committee, said that the Camp Grayling Conservation Club has



The annual Business Relay Races are part of the activities for the Canoe Marathon festival week to be held on July 27.

ran this event in past years and take over. register contact Green at 614-0256 (local cell phone). For more information or to

## LEGAL ACTION

### REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners is issuing a Request for Proposal for Financial Audit Services for the FY 2006 - FY 2008. Sealed proposals can be submitted until 2:00 pm Monday, July 31st, 2006. Request for Proposal specifications can be obtained from the Crawford County Administrator's office by contacting (989) 344-3202. Crawford County reserves the right to reject any or all proposals received in whole or in part. EOE



### Volunteers needed at Recycling Center

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Electors who wish to vote in the Primary Election must be registered to vote **NO LATER THAN MONDAY, JULY 10, 2006**. To register, visit any Secretary of State branch office, the County Clerk's office or the Township or City Clerk's Office.

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## GRAYLING COUNTRY CLUB NEWS

by Donna Thomson

### Wednesday Ladies League

On June 28, with very questionable weather, our Wednesday Ladies League held its annual "Rally for a Cure" golf outing with 62 ladies joining in to make this a great day. The rains came early and at 9:30 a.m. the sun came out. Later, the rains came again, but by then we were all in safe and sound.

Chairperson Sherry Hanson did a fantastic job spearheading the event. In the morning, Donna Grass was out decorating all nine holes with pink tee markers and baskets with flowers, and other willing helpers were inside decorating the tables with small vases of pink peonies that were later raffled off. Mulligans that were hand-painted by JoAnn Michal were sold to all and gifts that were generously given by local businesses were set out so each participant received one.

Also raffled off was a beautiful golf cart blanket made by Diane Heinz, one of our many breast cancer survivors. Diane couldn't play this year because of hand surgery, but she certainly helped in making our day special. This blanket was won by

Carlene Englund, who is also a survivor.

Our scramble game with teams flighted by Jeanette Kitchen got under way and these were the winners: 1st - 35, Carlene Englund, Nancy Hunt, Joan Waterman, Ruby Weigle; 2nd - 36 (tie) Kay Ellen King, Jeanette Kitchen, Corrine Smith; 2nd - 36 (tie) Dorothea Carlson, Jane Haller, Lynda Hetrick, Bev McNamara; 3rd - (three-way tie) Connie Gates, Sharon Klinger, Rita McClain, Deanne Weiss; 3rd - (three-way tie) Carole Batway, Sue Brenner, Kathy Olson; 3rd - (three-way tie) Jill Anderson, Shirley Schultz, Aggie Trudgeon.

Individual prizes were given for play on the following holes: #1 - longest putt, Aggie Trudgeon; #2 - longest drive on fairway, Jody Hinkle; #3 - closest to the pin, Nancy Wilcox; #4 - longest drive in fairway, Lynda Hetrick; #6 - closest to the pin on third shot, Nancy Glasslee; #7 - longest putt, Edie Blaha; #8 - closest to the pin on third shot, Bev McNamara; #9 - closest to the white line on drive, JoAnn Michal.

The "Rally Hole" was #5 this year. Each person that landed on

the green received a Titleist ball and the one who got the closest to the hole received a special gift from the Susan G. Komen Foundation. This year the prize was a sand wedge, which was won by Deanne Weiss. Skip Hanson and Paul Thomson were our spotters and kindly measured the distances of each player who neared the pin and noted the golf ball winners, which were Edie Blaha, Mary Gates, Sherry Hanson, Sharon Klinger, Jeanette Kitchen, Rosemary Patrick, Donna Thomson, Deanne Weiss, and Sandy Winkle.

We had a great lunch of cold cuts, salads, and lemon and chocolate cake. Punch was also served.

Sherry Hanson thanked all who participated and all the "behind the scenes" helpers that are needed to make this a great event that seems to get bigger and better every year.

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# LEGAL ACTION

## FORECLOSURE

**FORECLOSURE NOTICE** This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. **MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Wayne Mcmann and Laura Mcmann, to Delta Funding Corporation, a New York Corporation Mortgagee, dated January 26, 2000 and recorded February 23, 2000 in Liber 502 Page 59 Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., successor by merger to Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A., as Trustee f/k/a Norwest Bank Minnesota, N.A., as Trustee for Delta Funding Home Equity Loan Trust 2000-1, by assignment dated April 3, 2001 and recorded July 23, 2001 in Liber 543, Page 361, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Four Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-Six Dollars and Seventy-One Cents (\$44,236.71) including interest 10.79% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door to the County Bldg. in Grayling, MI at 10:00AM on Wednesday, August 2, 2006. Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The East 80 Feet of the South 300 Feet of the West One-Half of the East One-Half of the East One-Half of the Northeast One-Quarter of the Northwest One-Quarter of Section 2, Town 28 North, Range 4 West, Frederic Township, Crawford County, Michigan Commonly known as 8544 West Cameron Bridge, Frederic MI 49733 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: JUNE 20, 2006 Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., successor by merger to Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A., as Trustee f/k/a Norwest Bank Minnesota, N.A., as Trustee for Delta Funding Home Equity Loan Trust 2000-1 Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 06-49402 ASAP# 777511 06/29/2006, 07/06/2006, 07/13/2006, 07/20/2006, 07/27/2006 -29-6-13-20-27

## MORTGAGE SALE

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Brent Gabriel a/k/a Brent C. Gabriel and Tammy Gabriel, husband and wife, to Chase Home Finance, L.L.C. successor by merger to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated June 19, 2002 and recorded June 2, 2002 in Liber 586, Page 287, Crawford County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Five Thousand Thirty-Two and 50/100 Dollars (\$85,032.50) including interest at 10.38% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on August 2, 2006.

Said premises are located in the Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Parcel A: Part of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 35, Town 28 North, Range 4 West, described as: Commencing at the South one-quarter corner of said Section: thence North 01 degree 04 minutes 19 seconds East 657.95 feet (recorded as 657.87 feet) along the North-South one-quarter line of said Section; thence South 89 degrees 29 minutes 53 seconds West 306.64 feet (recorded as South 89 degrees 32 minutes 46 seconds West 306.25 feet) to the Point of Beginning; thence North 17 degrees 46 minutes 00 seconds West 282.65 feet; thence North 30 degrees 11 minutes 38 seconds West 446.06 feet to the South one-eighth of said Section; thence North 89 degrees 28 minutes 33 seconds East 380.57 feet along said one-eighth line; thence South 00 degrees 31 minutes 27 seconds East

75.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 28 minutes 33 seconds East 85.37 feet parallel with said one-eighth line; thence South 16 degrees 47 minutes 21 seconds West 363.21 feet; thence South 12 degrees 13 minutes 47 seconds West 241.72 feet to the Point of Beginning. Together with a non-exclusive easement for ingress and egress, and the cutting, trimming and removal of trees as necessary for the installation and maintenance of public utilities and private utilities, said easement being described as the Northerly 33 feet of the above described parcel, and further described according to the Map of Survey of Road and Utility Easements recorded in Liber 180, Page 33, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: June 29, 2006  
Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
(248) 457-1000 File No. 209.3659  
-29-6-13-20-29

## NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Thomas A. Kelley and Beth A. Kelley, husband and wife, to Commonpoint Mortgage, Mortgagee, dated April 25, 1998 and recorded June 15, 1998 in Liber 456, Page 31, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Citicorp Trust Bank fka Travelers Home Mortgage Services, Inc. dated 6/22/98 recorded 11/10/98 in Liber 467 Page 373 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Five Thousand Six Hundred One and 01/100 Dollars (\$45,601.01) including interest at 11.14% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on JULY 26, 2006.

Said premises are located in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 35, Red Wing Terrace, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: June 22, 2006  
Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
(248) 457-1000  
File No. 201.3124

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## IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

**ATTN PURCHASERS:** This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Kirk Alan Wakefield and Vicki C. Wakefield, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to TCF National Bank successor by merger and/or name change to Great Lakes National Bank Michigan as successor by merger to Great Lakes Federal Savings and Loan Association, Mortgagee, dated October 14, 1985, and recorded on October 22, 1985 in Liber 239 on Page 252, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Nineteen Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Four And 39/100 Dollars (\$19,484.39), including interest at 6.26% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on August 2, 2006.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 26, 27, 28 and 29, Block 2, Sixth Addition of Portage Lake Park, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 25, Crawford county Records.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: June 29, 2006  
For more information, please call:  
FC F 248.593.1313  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200  
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822  
File #006764F02  
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## MORTGAGE SALE

**THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.**

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Karen Arbour, a single woman, Mortgagor, to Conesco Finance Servicing Corp., Mortgagee, dated August 31, 2001, and recorded on September 11, 2001, in Liber 0552, Page 344, Crawford County Records, on which said mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Forty-Six Thousand Sixty-Four and 72/100 (\$46,064.72) Dollars, including interest at 12.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door to the County Building in Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, on Wednesday, July 26, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. Said premises are situated in the Township of Beaver Creek, County of Crawford, and State of Michigan and are described as:

The South half of the South half of the North half of the Northeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 7, Town 25 North, Range 3 West, lying West of the highway right of way, Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan. C/k/a 7800 South Grayling Rd., Grayling, MI 49738. Parcel ID: 050-007-016-080-00.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: June 14, 2006

Conesco Finance Servicing Corp.  
n/k/a Green Tree Servicing, L.L.C.  
Mortgagee

Keith A. Sotiroff, Esq.  
SOTIROFF & ABRAMCZYK, P.C.  
30400 Telegraph Road, Ste. 444  
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**ATTN PURCHASERS:** This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Donald M Larson, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 7, 2004, and recorded on September 15, 2004 in Liber 671 on Page 497, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee for the registered holders of Home Equity Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2004-3 as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Two Thousand One Hundred Thirty-Five And 28/100 Dollars (\$102,135.28), including interest at 7.4% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on July 26, 2006.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 49, Red Wing Terrace, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 4 of Plats, Page 22, Crawford County Records

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: June 22, 2006  
For more information, please call:  
FC J 248.593.1311  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200  
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822  
File #095309F01

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## STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

File No. 06-7152- DE  
Estate of HUGO KLATT,  
DECEASED

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS:** The decedent, Hugo Klatt, who lived at 7328 Old 27 North, Frederic, Michigan 49733 died May 16, 2006.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Daniel Klatt, c/o David R. Sabin, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: 6-19-06  
David R. Sabin P19822  
Attorney  
115 Michigan Avenue  
Grayling, MI 49738  
989/348-5588

## NOTICE FOR BIDS

The Grayling Fish Hatchery Steering Committee is accepting bids for the replacement of the roof on the Grayling Fish Hatchery building and the removal, repair and reinstallation of the existing cupola on the roof. Bids for the removal, repair and reinstallation of the cupola are to be separate from bids for the roof repair. Different bidders may be successful for each portion of the project. Two bids on the cupola are required: one for removal, restoration and replacement and one for total reconstruction as exactly as possible to the original.

The successful bidder(s) must have the appropriate licenses and bonding; must demonstrate the ability to properly complete the work as specified; must be eligible to bid on US government funded projects; will obtain all necessary permits and comply with the 2003 Michigan Building Code.

Bids will be accepted until July 21, 2006. The project is to be completed by September 30, 2006. Project commencement is dependent on full funding.

For specifications and to arrange for on-site inspection contact Bruce Patrick at (989) 344-3258 or Gaye Pizzi at (989) 344-3235.

Daniel Klatt  
Personal representative  
7328 Old 27 North  
Frederic, MI 49733

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## NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Default has occurred in a mortgage made by Gerald C. Hoelsi and Teresa D. Hoelsi, husband and wife to U.S.D.A. Rural Development f/k/a The Farmers Home Administration dated July 3, 1984 and recorded in Liber 226 page(s) 250. Said mortgage was subsequently assumed by John H. Bowdway and Karen S. Bowdway, husband and wife, in an agreement dated November 3, 1988. Said mortgage was subsequently assumed by Michael J. O'Connor and Lisa O'Connor in an agreement dated February 14, 1990.

Default has occurred in a mortgage made by Michael J. O'Connor and Lisa O'Connor, husband and wife, 126 MaryAnn, Grayling, Michigan 49736 to U.S.D.A. Rural Development, 3001 Coolidge Road, East Lansing, Michigan, dated February 14, 1990 and recorded on in Liber 307. Page(s) 289 in Crawford County records. The mortgage holder has begun no proceedings to recover any part of the debt, which is now \$81,622.87.

The mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the property, at public auction to the highest bidder, on August 2, 2006 at 10:00A.M. local time, in the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling, MI. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the mortgage, together with interest at 8.75 per cent, foreclosure costs, attorney fees, and also any taxes and insurance that the mortgage holder pays before the sale.

The property is situated in the State of Michigan, County of Crawford, Grayling Township, to-wit:

A part of the N 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 8, T26N, R3W, beginning at the SE corner of said tract and running thence N 89° 55' W on the South line thereof 120 feet; thence N 1° 20' E 120 feet; thence S 89° 55' E 120 feet to the East line thereof; thence S 1° 20' W along same 120 feet to P.O.B. Subject to Reservations, Restrictions and Easements of Record.

The redemption period will be six months from the date of sale, but if the property is abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days.

Dated: June 29, 2006  
For further information contact: Rural Development, 240 W. Wright St., West Branch, MI 48661. (989) 345-5470 ext. 4

Kirk C. Ellsworth (P39700)  
Attorney for Mortgage Holder  
2920 Blueberry Pl.  
Saginaw, Michigan 48603  
(989) 790-0994

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## Crawford County Commission On Aging Request for Proposals Computer Network Contractor

The Crawford County Commission on Aging is accepting proposals for a new computer system to include all peripherals including copier.

Four copies of proposal must be submitted in hard copy to the Crawford County Commission on Aging, Alice Snyder, Director, 308 Lawndale St., Grayling, MI 49738 and be received until 5:00pm on Friday, July 14, 2006. Bid requirements can be obtained by contacting Alice Snyder, Director at 989-348-7123. Proposals will be reviewed by a subcommittee and recommendations will be made to the full Board at it's July 17, 2006 meeting. The Commission on Aging reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals.

## PUBLIC NOTICE LANDOWNERS USING CAMERON BRIDGE ROAD FOR PROPERTY ACCESS

The Frederic Township Board will conduct a public hearing beginning at 7:00PM on July 10, 2006 at the Township Hall, 7564 County Road 612, Frederic, MI to reconsider the establishment of a special assessment district for the paving of Cameron Bridge Road from its intersection with North Lane Road to its intersection with Deward Road.

This will be the third public hearing held under PA 188 of 1954 that has become necessary due to a substantial increase in material costs. The purpose of this hearing will be for the board to determine if there is still adequate support for the project. Please plan to attend the hearing to register your comments or send a signed statement to:

Frederic Township  
ATTN: Supervisor  
P.O. Box 78  
Frederic, MI 49733

Preliminary plans, district maps, and cost estimates are on file at the Township Hall.

Jeff Kea  
Supervisor

## Notice of Special Meeting to Establish Rate Fees for Miscellaneous Permits

The Road Commission for Crawford County will be holding a Special Meeting July 13, 2006 in conjunction with their regularly scheduled Board Meeting commencing @ 10:00 a.m. at their Grayling office located at 500 Huron Street, P.O. Box 648, Grayling, MI 49738-00648.

Purpose for the meeting is to set fee schedules for the following: Residential driveway permits, Permits for improving existing driveways, Multiple driveways, Commercial driveways and various other permits administered by the Crawford County Road Commission.

Notice posted June 20, 2006.



# FEATURES

## A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago  
July 7, 1983

A busy 4th of July weekend pushed the Grayling Fish Hatchery over the 10,000th visitor mark in only its six weeks of operation. Fish Hatchery manager Howard Hatfield, said 2,800 persons stopped to see the trout Saturday, Sunday, and Monday topping the 1,500 person mark set for the Memorial Day weekend.

A month of hard work in hot weather may have been ruined by one three day holiday weekend and careless motorists. During part of May and June, five county residents on work relief through the Department of Social Services picked up trash along roads going in and out of Grayling. One worker picked up more than 200 bags of garbage. In one day he collected 31 bags, but instead of applauding him, careless motorists continued adding to the roadside trash. He went back along the road where he had cleaned and found three more bags of trash thrown out.

A large number of tourists visited Grayling over the July 4 weekend, perhaps the most holiday visitors in the last couple of years. "The 'Say Yes to Michigan' campaign might finally be taking hold," Joyce Kolka Grayling Chamber of Commerce director said. "The number of tourists were definitely up. There were much more visitors in

town than last year.

The Crawford County area now has a new organization, a community band. Membership in the band is open to anyone who would like to play. The band is under the direction of Mr. LeRoy Christian.

Grayling Middle School student Christina Damouth, daughter of Sharon Price, has been awarded a music scholarship at Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Schuster, owners of the new Cheese Haus & Deli, on M-93, had a ribbon cutting ceremony, marking the grand opening. The new business is an outlet for Onaway Cheese.

46 Years Ago  
July 7, 1960

The 15th Annual National Field Archers Association tournament was held in Grayling. Men and women from all over the country participated. The archers were unanimous in their praise of Camp Grayling as the site for their national tournament, and many said that they would like to see Grayling made the permanent site for the meet.

Brian Ashton and Mike Young, made a successful team in the Michigan Juniors canoe race at Mio last Sunday. They captured first prize by paddling the 12 mile course in one hour and 11 minutes and were awarded the

\$30 first prize money and a trophy.

Ed Lowrie has joined the select group who have made a hole in one at the Grayling Golf Club. Ed made his on June 23, on the 6th hole, in play with John Gunderson, and Dr. Ralph Hoffman.

It was the decision of four members of the Community Achievement Committee meeting, held at the Grayling Woman's Club building, to hold up any further work on the pair of tennis courts and shuffleboard courts for the time being.

About 9,000 officers and men of the 46th Michigan National Guard Division and attached units will arrive at Camp Grayling for their annual field training. This will mark the first time since 1947 when the Michigan National Guard trained at Camp Grayling in July since their first postwar camp.

Despite unusually heavy traffic through Crawford County, there were no serious car accidents within the county. The Sheriff's Department was not called to investigate a single crash over the weekend.

69 Years Ago  
July 8, 1937

Grayling's Canoe Carnival will take place on August 7 and 8. This event will be one of the biggest events Northern Michigan has to offer the public. A stop-over picnic and sports program will be held at Burton's Landing and it will end at Wakeley Bridge.

The need for a chamber of commerce is manifest by the enthusiastic response to get one in operation as quickly as possible. There are so many matters that require intelligent and constructive handling right at this time that it seems that this community has been neglecting its own interest for a long time.

Wilbur Swanson is now employed by the Grayling Bakery.

Forrest Barber, who is working as a salesman for a Durand firm, spent the holidays here with his family.

New cement sidewalks are being built from the Shoppenagons Inn Corner to Cedar Street on Michigan Avenue.

The Kraus Estate is having a cement block foundation placed under their store building.

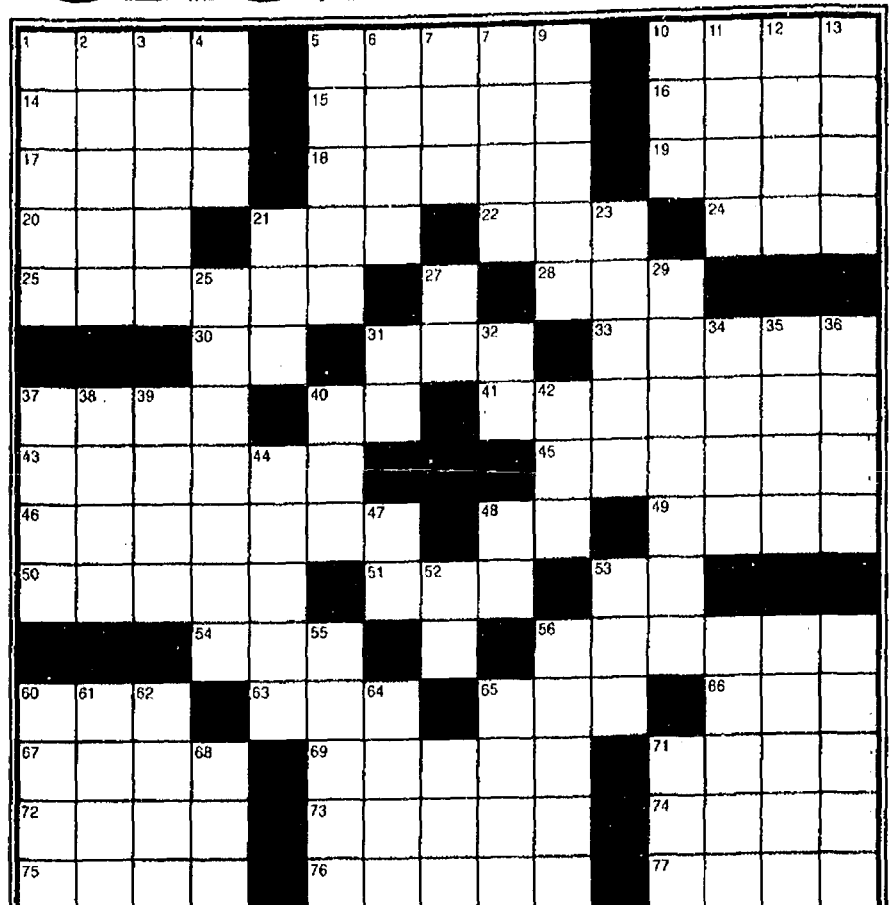
92 Years Ago  
July 9, 1914

The court house has been redecorated and repapered. The walls and ceilings are prettily tinted, all the woodwork, tables, desks, and cases are all revarnished.

The building of the bank in Frederic is progressing nicely.

The citizens of Beaver Creek held a Fourth of July celebration at their town hall. There was a hot ball game between the married men and the single men. The latter won with a lead of nine, the final score being 72 to 63.

## CROSSWORD



- Across
- "Land of the White Elephant."
  - Considers.
  - Surrounded by people or things.
  - Knowledge gained through tradition.
  - Having to do with vision.
  - Free from mental derangement.
  - Young, actor.
  - More agreeable in nature.
  - State of irritation.
  - Group of people related by blood or marriage.
  - Regulatory wine system set up in Italy in 1963.
  - Title for a knight.
  - Area of land.
  - Bewitch.
  - Produce a literary work.
  - Fifth studio album from Pain of Salvation.
  - Large African antelope.
  - Mechanical control for the flow of liquid.
  - Large, South American burrowing rodent.
  - Uproarious party.
  - Relating to lizards.
  - Give strength to.
  - Climber who follows the lead climber.
  - Disgrace.
  - Postal abbreviation for island.
  - Big, Aerosmith CD.
  - Sergio, director.
  - Clod.
  - Modulation of the amplitude of a radio carrier wave.
  - The, and I, novel by Betty MacDonald.
  - Open square.
  - Informal term for "mother."
  - Seed-bearing spike of grass.
  - Song by Edwin Starr.
  - Room equipped for processing film.
  - Dement, country-folk singer.
  - Relating to a lobe.
  - Circle dance.
  - Coarse, curly-leaved cabbage.
  - Turn an organ inside out.
  - Relating to the ear.
  - Exit to, 1994 film.
  - Minute bubbles of gas in glass blowing.
  - One of the groups of indigenous peoples of the island of Borneo.
- Down
- Become extinct.
  - Naturally occurring nonmetallic element used in dyes.
  - Central area of an amphitheatre where spectacles took place.
  - Force of workers available.
  - Accept as pay.
  - Having to do with large-scale battles.
  - Abbreviation for "et cetera."
  - Tomorrow Never.
  - Temporary substitute for money.
  - Residue remaining after something is burned.
  - Diré, location set in Blizzard.
  - Entertainment video game and book series, Warcraft.
  - Message received and understood.
  - Nimble.
  - Adult female mammal.
  - Musical show consisting of skits, song and dances.
  - Capital of Swaziland.
  - Currently fashionable.
  - Stupor induced by a narcotic.
  - Perform as expected when applied.
  - Objective case of "we."
  - Large carnivorous feline mammal.
  - Windmill leaf.
  - Concluding parts of an event.
  - Ringing of a bell.
  - Prefix meaning "in front of something."
  - Ancient Roman politician.
  - Room used for reading and watching TV.
  - Hardy, sure-footed animal, smaller than a horse.
  - Person holding a fief.
  - Can be either part of a preposition or an infinitive.
  - In case that.
  - Personification of heaven in Sumerian mythology.
  - Region aboveground.
  - Strong winds.
  - Local environment.
  - Polish monetary unit.
  - Slavic goddess of beauty.
  - Surprised.
  - Reiss, writer and producer.
  - Toward the mouth.
  - Unit of distance equal to 5,280 feet.
  - Copper washer upon which a nail end is clinched in boat building.
  - Burton, racecar driver.
  - Cambodian monetary unit.
  - Name for flying insects of the super family Apodea.
  - Shoulder trough for carrying brick and mortar.

### ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

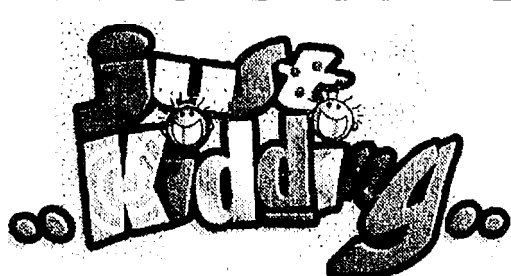
## RECIPE OF THE WEEK



## Mexican Avocado and Egg Scramble

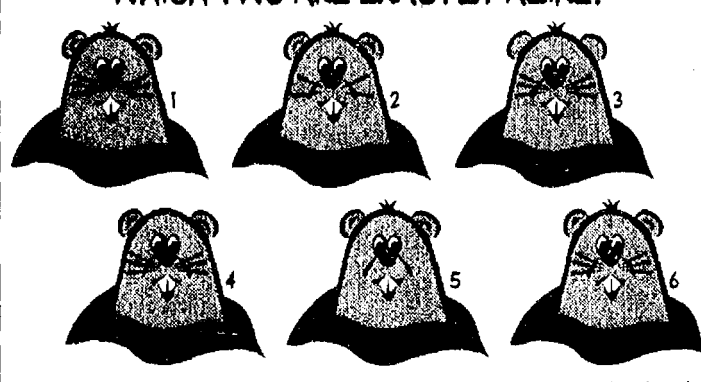
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| 1   | fully ripened Mexican Hass avocado | 2   | tablespoons chopped fresh cilantro |
| 1   | tablespoon vegetable oil           | 3/4 | teaspoon hot red pepper sauce      |
| 1/2 | cup chopped onion                  | 1/2 | teaspoon salt                      |
| 1   | cup diced red pepper               | 3/4 | cup broken tortilla chips          |
| 6   | eggs                               | 1/2 | cup shredded Jack cheese           |

Cut avocado lengthwise around the middle; twist to separate halves and scoop out flesh. Dice avocado and set aside. Heat oil in a large skillet over medium-high heat. Add onion and bell pepper; cook and stir until onion begins to brown, about 4 minutes. Whisk together eggs, cilantro, hot sauce and salt. Add to skillet along with tortilla chip pieces. Cook and stir gently until eggs are set but still soft. Sprinkle cheese on top. Cover; remove from heat; let stand until cheese melts, 1 minute. Divide mixture among four plates; top with reserved avocado. YIELD: 4 servings



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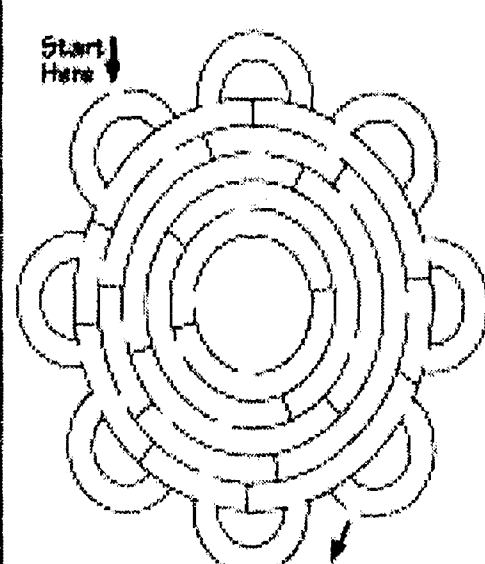
WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?



## DID YOU KNOW ??

The little plastic things on the of shoelaces are called aglets.

## MAZE



## HOROSCOPES

For the week of July 6, 2006



December 22-January 19

A coworker is spinning their wheels on a project. Jump in and give them a hand. You will receive brownie points for your efforts.



March 21-April 19

It's high time you settled a score with an old buddy. Set up a time to meet with them and get everything out into the open. Summer activities make for a picture-perfect weekend.



June 22-July 22

Feeling boxed in, Cancer? Break out of your routine and try something new. A burden is lifted, giving you the freedom to pursue a more lucrative venture.



September 23-October 22

Momentum is building at work for a significant change. Don't worry, Libra. You and almost everyone you know will benefit from the change. A package brings plenty of surprises.



January 20-February 18

A family tiff opens the door for discussion. Proceed with caution. You don't want to rub too many people the wrong way, or a host of skeletons could come tumbling out of the closet.



April 20-May 20

Old habits die hard, but to get anywhere, Taurus, you're going to have to break some of them. News from home shatters plans for the weekend.



July 23-August 22

A lot of wheeling and dealing is going on at home. Don't get involved unless it gets ugly. A friend's health problem takes a turn for the worse - be there for them.



October 23-November 21

Occasional visits become more frequent and cut into your time alone. Take the steps necessary, Scorpio, to correct the situation. A financial matter is rectified.



February 19-March 20

A short trip is just the trick for what ails you. Films from long ago motivate you to spend more time with family and catch up on everything you've been missing.



May 21-June 21

Laughter is contagious at work and lightens the mood. Share in the joy, Gemini, and have a little fun. An e-mail sheds some light on a peculiar conversation.



August 23-September 22

Not up to a task, Virgo? Call up some buddies, invite them over and throw a task bash. Not only will you get it done, but you'll have ample time to visit, too.



November 22-December 21

It's now or never, Sagittarius. Either you let everyone in on what is going on or face it alone. A relative who is under the weather could use some cheer.

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## ADOPT A PET

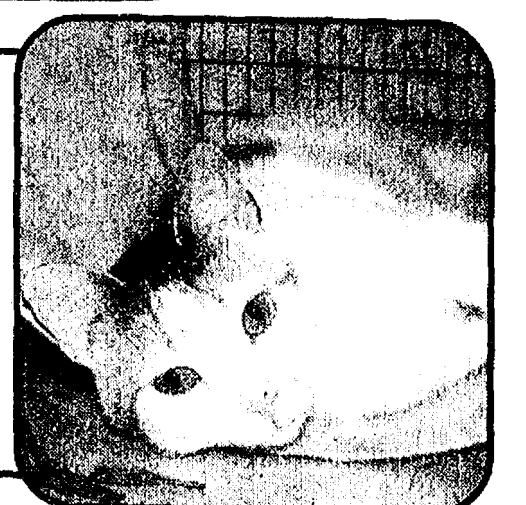


### Tige

is a Staffordshire Terrier mix. He knows some commands and appears to be housebroken. He is learning to be careful but sometimes still plays a little rough so would do best in a home with no small children.

### Gidget

is a very pretty Calico. She is affectionate and easy to get along with. She is spayed and up to date on all of her shots. Gidget would make a great family pet.



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The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is located at: 508 1/2 Huron Street (M-72 East) in Grayling

Between the Road Commission and the Eagles Hall

Hours: Open 9 to 3 Monday thru Saturday, 9 to 12 on Sundays and Holidays

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## WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Last Week				Extended Forecast (Courtesy of the Weather.com)						
Date	H	L	Precip. Inches	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	
6/28	72	50	0.63	Sunny	Sunny	Mostly Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Scattered T-Storms	Partly Cloudy	
6/29	74	51	0.86	High 79	High 84	High 88	High 86	High 82	High 79	
6/30	75	56	0	Low 55	Low 60	Low 63	Low 63	Low 59	Low 60	
7/1	80	53	0.16							
7/2	83	61	0							
7/3	83	58	0							



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### 1. Real Estate

**AUTOMATICALLY RECEIVE NEW LISTINGS** e-mailed to you. Call us at 348-5474 or email to cmt21@icik.com. Century 21 River Country Real Estate. Visit our web: www.century21grayling.com (2/23/06t/1)



**Connie**

NICE PLACE! Wait until you see the beautiful stone fireplace in the 25 x 13 living room! New kitchen cabinets and counter tops, 3 bedrooms, covered front porch, extra large fenced back yard and attached garage. Many updates! \$88,000 #5694



### 1. Real Estate

**CUTE 3 BEDROOM HOME** with several updates and access to Manistee River. Call 989-348-7995. (-6-13sgf/1)

**LOW INCOME** housing available to purchase. Apply with Connie at Century 21. Call for an appointment. 348-5474 or cell 390-2888. Currently 5 homes available. (2/23/06t/1)

### 1. Real Estate

**SECLUDED 2 BEDROOM CHALET** with spacious loft, 5 acres hardwoods, huge 2 story garage. Near AuSable main stream, 7 miles east of Grayling. Must sell, \$124,000. 989-390-4047. (LR7/13/06/1)

**GREAT LOCATION** 3 bedroom, 1 bath, chalet, 32 x 26 garage. Close to town, \$118,000. Call 989-348-2823. (-6-13-20/1)

### 1. Real Estate

**2-3 BEDROOM** 2 bath, year round ranch in peaceful setting, on maintained road, near lakes and snowmobiling. 2482 Sandy Trail, south off M-72, 7.3 miles east of Grayling. (586) 446-0004, (586) 713-7500. (6/22/06t/1)

**MANISTEE LAKE AREA** Cute cabin in very private setting with one acre, yet walk to Manistee Lake. Screened porch for watching wildlife, creek, 2 bedrooms, \$84,900. Dave Felker 45th Parallel Realty Elk Rapids 231-649-3667. (-29-6/1)

### 1. Real Estate

**TWO LARGE** adjacent lots in Uppnorthe #3, \$4,750 each or \$9,000 for both. Five lots in Little Richard's Estates, 3 miles north of Roscommon, \$6,500 each. Land contract terms available. 989-821-5900. (-29-6/1)

**FREE** first 3 months, mobile home lot. Relocate your mobile home. 2.5 acres located on M-72 near Burtons Landing. 14 x 65 concrete slab with utility hook up. \$300 per month. 877-365-2006. (LR8/31/06/1)

**FOR SALE** mobile home, Detroit, 14 x 65, 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, suitable for hunting cabin, rebuilt furnace. \$300/OBO. 877-365-2006. (LR8/31/06/1)

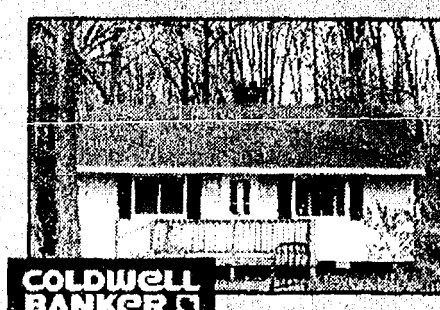
### 1. Real Estate

**HOME FOR SALE** Moving north and looking for some peace and quiet? You found it. Over 175 feet of AuSable River frontage, and only 25 feet from the river. You can fly fish from the 750 sq. ft. wrap-around deck. Enjoy this 2,175 sq. ft. brick, 4 bedroom, 2 bathroom home, located on the East Branch of the famed AuSable River, only 1 mile north of Mercy Hospital. Featuring a full sized kitchen, living room, finished walkout basement, natural gas log fireplace, hot tub, large cedar sauna and much more. The manicured lawn, watered from an underground sprinkler system, looks like a well maintained golf course. \$255,500. Make me an offer. Drive by at 4875 Warner Drive for a look then call 989-348-2083 for showing by owner. (6/22/06t/1)



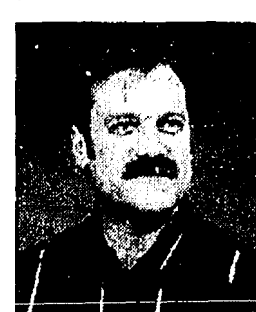
**Sherri Gallagher**  
of Coldwell Banker Cornell Realty  
P.O. Box 527  
2003 Business Loop I-75 South  
Grayling, MI 49738  
989-348-6481

### LARGE DOUBLE LOT



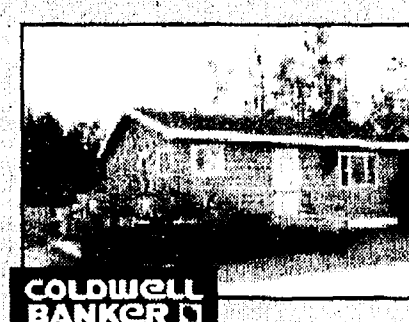
Large double lot with lots of trees. Located close to Higgins Lake with easy access to both I-75 and I-27. Home sold "as is", needs some TLC. Great for first-time home owners or an investor looking for a seasonal rental property. 1.5% of purchase price may be available in closing cost to buyer. Address: 6062 Reserve Rd, Roscommon, MI; 48653 #245155 \$43,900

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### TROUT FISHING - SNOWMOBILING



Trout fishing/snowmobiling cabin or first home. This meets all the needs. Located between Louie's Landing and Keystone Landing with the AuSable River less than 1 mile away. Lots of trails close-by. 1 year home warranty included. #244932 \$75,000

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### 2. For Rent

**WEEKLY AND MONTHLY** house and cottage rentals near Roscommon, Grayling, on Higgins Lake and on Houghton Lake. Higgins North Vacation Rentals. (989) 821-3434. (12/25/03t/2)

**4 RENT OR SALE** mobile homes, \$450 and up, or \$2,000 and up. 348-5278. (3/16/06t/2)

**RAYNE FOREST RENTALS** 1 and 2 bedroom duplexes, \$500 per month. 348-5230. (3/30/06t/2)



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LIKE NEW 3 BEDROOM, 2 BATHS. New dry wall and floor coverings. Vaulted ceilings. Oak kitchen cabinets, large pantry, garbage disposal, appliances include stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, washer and dryer. All bedrooms have walk-in closets. Master bedroom offers double vanity. Central Air. Outside water and electric. Sprinkler system. 2.4 Acres Turn Key with immediate occupancy. CS-2363 \$93,500



**NEW LISTING**  
NICE BUILDING SITE TO PUT YOUR HOME ON WITH WELL AND SEPTIC. Grayling Mobile Estates. CS-2351 \$10,000



**LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION**  
Charming home. 3 bedrooms, 1 bath. Newly remodeled, large living room, nice back yard, covered front porch, deck in back, copper window flower boxes, very nice. Turn key Immediate Occupancy. CS-2313 \$89,500



**10 ACRES OF BEAUTIFUL HARDWOODS.** This rolling terrain is full of wildlife and is close to state land. Electricity is at road and the access road is blacktop. CS-2217 \$32,000

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**EXCEPTIONAL VIEWS OF THE EAST BRANCH OF THE AUSABLE RIVER.** Custom riverfront living, secluded, 3,387 s.f. plus game room above garage. Open staircase, central vacuum, office with built-in desk and bookcases. Large tile kitchen with tile countertops and Jenn-Air range. 20 x 30 master suite, with whirlpool, sauna and bidet. Three car garage, staircase to game room, concrete drive and storage building. CH-2320 \$375,000



**NEW LISTING**  
100' FRONTAGE ON THE AUSABLE RIVER. 700 s.f. cabin with 2 bedrooms and 1 bath. Roof only 5 years old. Drywall interior, drywall for sink, oil space heater and large wrap around decking. CH-2365 \$87,500



**NEW LISTING**  
148' FRONTAGE ON THE AUSABLE RIVER. Beautiful building site on paved road!! Mixture of hardwoods on a flat terrain. 12 x 16 barn with cement floor, skylight and sink. 8 x 10 storage shed. Property also has a split rail fence and hand pump. Telephone hook-up available. CH-2364 \$52,000



**185' FRONTAGE ON THE AUSABLE RIVER**  
218' Frontage across river. Priced below appraised value!! Secluded 5 acres with frontage on each side of the AuSable river. 1,464 s.f. ranch home over looking a valley with beautiful mature pines. 3 B/R, 1 bath, full partially finished basement, and large heated sunroom. 24 x 36 attached garage and 12 x 16 storage shed. CH-2323 \$139,900



**LAKE MARGRETHE ACCESS!!**  
Completely renovated 1,250 s.f., 3 bedroom, and 1 bath home. Ceramic tile flooring, central A/C, raised six panel doors, drywall interior, whirlpool bath, and new 4 inch well. Adjoins State Land On West Side!! CH-2321 \$98,800

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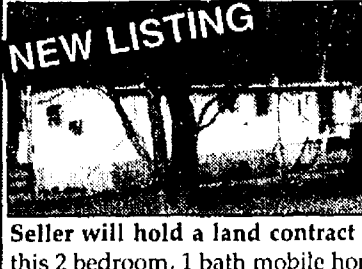
**NEW LISTING**  
This is a great 'Up North' retreat. Brick fireplace, 4 bedrooms, 2 and 1/2 baths, 2 car garage, beautiful private covered deck and additional extensive decking. Association includes club house, lake access and swimming pool. #5716 \$129,000



**NEW LISTING**  
18.5 Acres of Gorgeous mature hardwoods and Pines. Great 3 bedroom, 1 bath cabin perfect get-away or full time home. 2 Barns for storing all the outdoor gear. Located on a county maintained road. #5717 \$140,000



**NEW LISTING**  
Neat As A Pin, two bedroom, one bath mobile home on one and a half lots in Grayling Mobile Estates. Property features landscaping, concrete driveway, covered porch and two car garage. Priced to sell at \$47,500 #5718



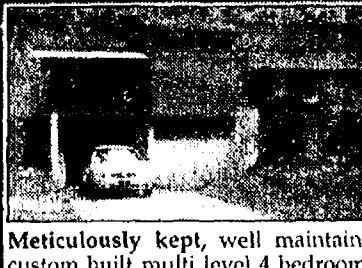
**NEW LISTING**  
Seller will hold a land contract on this 2 bedroom, 1 bath mobile home with nice size sun-room. Located within 4 miles of Houghton Lake, State Land is close by, convenient to town. #5720 \$25,000



**REDUCED**  
New home on 10 square acres of hardwoods! Ceramic tile flooring in the entry, kitchen, dining, baths and laundry, open floor plan with cathedral ceilings in living room, open to dining area with french doors to deck. Full basement, attached finished 3 car garage, plus pole barn. #5642 \$168,500



**20+/- Acres, state land on 2 sides. On the Blue Bear Snowmobile Trail. FANTASTIC LOCATION for both hunters and snowmobilers! 1991 Cottage has 1,756 sq. ft., enough room for the whole gang! 2 car garage, generator, horse corral with shelter and a 1950's quaint log cabin. #143,000 #5593**



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**What a set-up! Beautifully landscaped 3 bedroom, 2 bath home on over an acre of land with a view of Lake Margrethe. Stunning family room/sun room has floor to ceiling trapezoid windows. Attached garage, 24x32 pole barn, 16x40 pole barn and guest cabin. #5567 \$198,900**



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Approximately 5 Acres with 217 feet of frontage on M-72 East near Industrial Park. 3,000 square foot building has 3 overhead bay doors and 600 square foot office area. Fenced in area for storage. Zoned C-2. #5721 \$132,000

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**SMALL 2 BEDROOM** 1 bath house, near lake. Very clean, non-smoking, no pets, washer/dryer hookup. 989-348-6801. (5/11/06/1/2)

**3 BEDROOM RANCH** good neighborhood, large garage, recently remodeled. \$695, rental and employment references. 348 Red Tail Hawk Loop, non-smoking. 348-2178. (6/8/06/1/2)

**RIVER VIEW SENIOR APARTMENTS** 306 Knight Street in Grayling is updating the waiting list for one and two bedroom units. Persons must be 62 years of age or older, or handicapped and/or disabled of any age. Rent is based on income with limited rent subsidy. Barrier Free units in building. Applications on site or call Linda at 1-800-225-7982. Managed by Stratford Group Ltd, 442 W. Baldwin, Alpena, MI 49707. Equal Housing Opportunity. Hearing TDD 1-800-855-1155. (LR7/6/06/2)

## 1. Real Estate

## 2. For Rent

**LAKE MARGRETHE ACCESS** 3 bedroom, 2 bath, attached garage plus nice storage building, some appliances, no pets, 1 year lease. \$700 a month, plus \$700 deposit. (989) 348-2248. (LR7/13/06/2)

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**OSCODA COUNTY AIRPORT HANGER** for rent, \$100 per month. Call David Kauffman, airport manager, 989-848-2446. (-29-6/2)

**2 BEDROOM** 1 bath, northeast of Grayling. \$600 a month, \$600 security deposit. Washer/dryer, appliances, propane included, surrounded by state land, lake access, non-smoking, credit check, references required. 989-348-6507. (-29-6-13/2)

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**FOR RENT** 2 bedroom mobile home, \$375 per month, \$150 deposit plus utilities. No pets. Call 348-4131. (-6/2)

**VIKING VILLAGE APARTMENTS** are now taking applications for upcoming availability. Very nice 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartments approximately one mile west of Grayling off M-72. Units include central air conditioning, attached garage, paved lighted streets and driveways, stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, washer and dryer. Lawn care, snow removal, and garbage pickup included in annual lease. Contact Herb Olson at, 989-348-9456, for more information. (7/6/06/1/2)

## 1. Real Estate

## 3. Employment

**LOCAL TITLE COMPANY** is expanding and looking for customer oriented title and escrow personnel. Experience preferred but not necessary. All replies remain confidential. Direct resume to: P.O. Box 490, Grayling, MI 49738. Attn: HJP. (-6-13-20/3)

**VACANCY** Full-time Juvenile Caseworker (probation officer) position in the Grayling office of the 46th Circuit Trial Court - Family Division. Bachelors degree in social sciences is required. Applications will be accepted until 4 pm on Friday, July 14, 2006. Mail or fax to: Rudi D. Edel, Trial Court Administrator, 800 Livingston Blvd., Suite 1C, Gaylord, MI 49735. Fax: (989) 731-0226. (-6-13/3)

**NOTICE OF OPEN POSITION** Posting date: June 27, 2006. Position: Grayling High School Varsity Girls Tennis Coach (fall season). Qualifications: Tennis background in playing and/or coaching. Additional information is available at 1135 North Old 27. Apply to: Joseph P. Powers, Superintendent, Crawford AuSable Schools, 403 E. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738. Deadline: 4 p.m., July 11, 2006. Crawford AuSable School District, equal opportunity/affirmative action statement. (-6/3)

**APPLICATIONS** being taken for Sales Associate in a fast paced business. Must be hardworking, neat, organized, with excellent customer service skills. Benefits for full-time employees include: insurance, vacations, 401K and more. Only the serious need apply at Charlie's Country Corner. (-29-6/3)

## 3. Employment

**PART-TIME OFFICE CLERK** Accounting Office. Kirtland Community College is accepting applications for a part-time employee (24 hours per week) to provide general office support for the Accounting Office. Hourly range of \$11.24 - \$15.74 commensurate with education and experience; limited fringe benefits. Visit [www.kirtland.edu/hr/jobs](http://www.kirtland.edu/hr/jobs) for a complete position description and application information. Applications accepted until July 28, 2006. Equal opportunity/affirmative action employer. (-6/3)

**DIRECTOR OF QUALITY ASSURANCE** Hilltop Manor Healthcare Center, a 118 bed skilled nursing facility, is seeking an experienced professional to lead all quality assessment and assurance initiatives. Duties include: survey preparation and management, policy review and compliance, customer satisfaction programs, and initiatives regarding improved patient care outcomes. Candidates considered will be an RN with 5 years of nursing experience and preferably have long term care experience. Please send cover letter and resume to Diane McGourty, Administrator, Hilltop Manor Healthcare Center, 1290 East Michigan Hwy., Roscommon, MI 48863. (989) 275-8936. (-29-6/3)

**DRIVERS** Independent contractors needed with reliable cargo van for package delivery full-time, Mon. thru Fri., day routes. Call 989-344-0116. (-6/3)

**KT ENTERPRISE** is seeking individuals for network marketing opportunities in northern lower Michigan. Must be self directed, motivated, and experienced in sales and marketing a plus, set your own hours. Must be willing to invest. Contact 989-370-5190. (-6-13/3)

## 3. Employment

**NEEDED** for route delivery, class A CDL drivers. Apply at Artic Glacier, 427 S. I-75 Business Loop, Grayling. (-6/3)

**GRAYLING MFG. COMPANY** is looking for fabricator-welders. Experience in lay-out, MIG welding, and a working knowledge of vehicles is needed. Mechanical and/or electrical knowledge is a plus. Company offers benefit package. Mail resume and salary requirements to: Human Resources, 2332 Dupont St., Grayling, MI 49738. (-6-13/3)

**THE GRAYLING FAMILY PRACTICE** Clinic is accepting applications for an on-call/contingent CMA or Nurse. Send resume to: 1010 N. Down River Road W., Grayling, MI 49738, or you may stop in and fill out an application. Any questions, call (989) 348-7671 and ask for the office manager. (-6-13/3)

**LARGEST COURIER COMPANY** in midwest looking for independent contractors. Must have cargo van. Call for inquiries at Grayling office (989) 344-0499. (-6-13-20/3)

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**DRIVER'S EDUCATION** Segment 1, 2, automobile and motorcycle road testing available from the Grayling Driver's Training School. 348-8838. Classes, July 13, August 10, September 11. Best rates. (LR7/6/06/4)

**EQUIPMENT RENTAL** Kabota backhoe/loader, by the day or week. \$150, delivery available. Call 989-348-9714. (LR7/27/06/4)

**CARPET INSTALLER** has several roll's of carpet and vinyl in stock. Carpet starting at \$12.99 per yard, installed. Also, re-stretches, repairs, and installation, plus custom tile work. 348-4768. (6/22/06/1/4)

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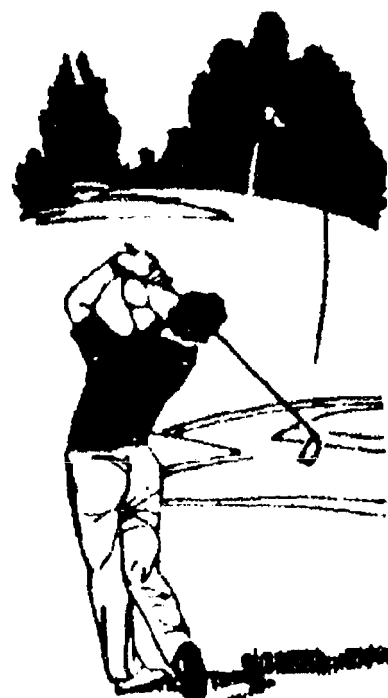
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